TUNIS (R) - Riots broke out in Algiers Wednesday with demonstrators building barneades, sening fire to government cars and hijacking buses whose drivers ignored a call for a general strike, according to an eyewingss reached by telephone. The official news agency reported what it called an Outbreak of vandalism and said Algeria's ruling National Liberation Front was sticking to economic austerity measures in spite of the violence. An evewimess in Algiers, contacted by telephone from Tunis, said noters huilt barricades out of hurning rubhish and overturned and set fire to official cars. Some had hijacked buses and harassed drivers who ignored a claudesune call for a general strike, forcing the hus company to abandon all its services, he said. Shopkeepers closed their shutters for safety Wednesday mouning and few private cars ventured into the city centre. The official APS news agency reported an emergency meeting of the polithuro of the National Liberation Front (FLN) condemned what it termed an outbreak of vandalism and aggression. The APS report said the security forces would not shrink from their duty to maintain public order.

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#### AROUND THE WORLD ...

#### Moscow assails U.S. over Afghan pact

MOSCOW (R) - Prayda accused the United States of spending \$2 billion supporting guerrillas in an "undeclared war" against Afghanistan. The Communist Party newspaper said the United States had continued to supply guerrillas fighting the Soviet-backed Kabul government in defiance of the April Geneva accords which pledged an end to outside interference in the country.

#### Reagan gave CiA 'licence to kill'

WASHINGTON (AP) - A published report says that President Ronald Reagan signed intelligence authorisations in 1984 and 1985 giving Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) agents broad powers that some administration officials saw as "a licence to kill." The authorisations "deeined" as lawful any covert actions -- including notentially violent ones - taken in "good faith" by U.S. intelligence agents against "tertorists," according to a report in Wednesday's editions of the Washington Post. The language of the findings seemingly was ambiguous, the Post said. Actions taken in good faith and as part of an approved operation would be deemed lawful in advance, but they also "must be" lawful, sources told the Post. The newspaper quoted a former White House official, whom it did not identify, as saying the Reagan orders were a "go-anywhere, do-anything" authority.

#### Mousavi urges cabinet to heed Khomeini call

NICOSIA (Rt - Iranian Prime Minister Mir-Hussein Mousavi urged his cabinet Wednesday to heed a call for unity hy spiritual leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini. Mousavi, who offered his resignation early last month in a public row with President Ali Khamenei, said the avatollah's policy statement Monday was one of "the main documents of the Islamic revolution." The Iranian news agency IRNA, quoted Mousavi as telling a cabinet meeting the main point of the message was maintaining unity and presenting a united front to the world. This meant officials should avoid accusing each other of deviating from the principles of the revolution, the prime minister

#### Doctors cut short transfusion for Hirohito

TORYO (R) — Doctors cut short a second blood transfusion Wednesday for Japan's ailing Emperor Hirohito for fear it was putting too great a strain on his heart, palace officials said. The 87-year-old emperor, who fell ill Sept. 19 and has heen suffering from internal bleeding, received 115 cc of blood before doctors discontinued the transfusion because his pulse rate began to rise dangerously high, officials said. Earlier in the day he had received a 200 cc

## Court clears way for Pakistan polls

were hilt. ISLAMABAD (AP) - The supreme court Wednesday blocked a move to reconvene the National Assembly, dissolved last May by late President Mohammad Zia Ul Haq, removing the last obstacle to planned democratic elections. The unanimous ruling upheld a decision last week by a federal high court which found that Zia's move was unconstitutional. But it also found there were no grounds to put the old Muslim League government of Prime Minister Mohammad Khan Junejo hack in power. Mohammad Khan Naqshbandi, a spokesman for the Muslim League, said Junejo and other party leaders would abide by the decision and drop their demands to reinstate the old cabinet and reconvene the legislature.

## Arafat stops in India for talks with Gandhi

NEW DELHI (AP) - Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi cut short a visit to southern India Wednesday to meet with Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat, a Foreign Ministry official said. Aratat stopped briefly in New Delhi on his way back from Peking to Tunisia, said the official. Arafat flew to India after a brief visit in Bangladesh, where the met with President Hussain Mohammad Eishad.

## Yugoslay party plans leadership shakeup

BELGRADE (AP) - Yugoslav Communist Party chief Stipe Suvar has announced a planned shakeup in the membership of the party's Central Committee and praesidium (politburo), the state news agency fanjug reported Wednesday. Suvar, who made the announcement on Sarajevo television Tuesday night, said the praesidium would propose the changes to the Central Committee, which was scheduled to meet Oct. 17. The shakeup was seen as an attempt to revamp the leadership that has been increasingly blamed by Yugoslavs for failing to halt or stem the country's protracted economic and political crisis.

## Oslo downgrades Dalai Lama visit

OSLO (AP) - The Norwegian government has cancelled meetings between the Dalai Lama and top government officials scheduled for the exiled Tibetan leader's four-day visit, a government spokeswoman said Wednesday. Supporters of the Tiberan leader said the government move apparently came after pressure from the Chinese ambassador in Oslo. The inmority Labour government of Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland cancelled talks between the Dalai Lama and Church Aftairs Minister Mary Kvidal.

## Irish mother of kidnapped girl to be charged

ABU DHABI (AP) - An Irish nurse will be charged with kidnapping her five-year-old daughter from the girl's Jordanian father, joining two Irishmen scheduled to go on trial this month on a similar charge, prosecutor Mohammad Al Iraqi said Wednesday, Iraqi, public prosecutor in the L'nited Arab Emirates port of Khor Fakkan where the trial will take place, identified the mother as Ann McManus, 28, who works as a nurse in Duhlin.

## Roh to address United Nations session

SEOUL (AP) - President Roh Tae-Woo will address the United Nations General Assembly on Oct. 18 for the first time as South Korea's chief executive, the presidential office announced Wednesday. Roh's speech will include South Korea's unification and foreign policies, the announcentent said, without elahoration.

## Turkish premier visits Italy

ROME (AP) - Premier Turgut Ozal of Turkey arrived in Rome Wednesday for the first official visit by a Turkish bead of government to Italy in 56 years. Ozal was scheduled to hold talks on hilateral and international issues and discuss Turkey's application for full membership in the European Economic Community, officials said.

## Soviet observers to inspect British exercises

LONDON (AP) - Four Soviet military observers flew into London early Wednesday, exercising for the first time their right under an international accord to travel to Britain to inspect army manoeuvres, the Defence Ministry reported. The visit was the first to Britain by Soviet representatives under the terms of the 1986 Stockholm agreement on East-West confidence building measures.

## Iraq accuses Iran of evasiveness

# **Gulf peace talks** hang in balance

UNITED NATIONS (Agencies) — The fate of U.N.-mediated peace talks between Iran and Iraq appeared to hang in the balance Wednesday with no sign of any breakthrough after one round of direct talks and several rounds of indirect contacts here since river. Saturday.

Iraq, saying that Iran accented a Gulf ceasefire only after a crushing military defeat, said Tuesday that it now was evasive in peace talks and trying to impose conditions.

In an address to the U.N. General Assembly, Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz also warned countries he said had sought to influence the negotiations "with a view to gaining commercial or strategic benefits in Iran."

"We know the secrets of this game and we know who is playing senior Iranian official told a ret," he said, without elaborating.
Aziz went before the world body at a late evening meeting after deciding to cut sbort his U.N. visit to return to Baghdad. He had not been scheduled to

As he spoke, the fate of the talks appeared to hang in the balance with no new meeting between him and Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati scheduled after last Saturday's three-hour session here.

Aziz told reporters he hoped Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar would be able to decide with Velayati a date for tesuming their talks in Geneva. They were held in Switzerland

porter Tuesday that Tehran had not decided its future course. In his remarks to the assembly, Aziz said Iraq had demanded only two things in the talks.

from Aug. 25 to Sept. 13, but a

These, he said, were "the inaddress the assembly until clusion of a clear provision on the of progress on the major issues principle of unobstructed free-involved in the Iran-Iraq talks.

dom of navigation in international waters in the Arab Gulf and in the Strait of Hormuz for all shipping... (and) to have the United Nations entrusted with clearing Shatt Al Arab and ensuring safe navigation therein without prejudice to the legal status of the

The foreign minister said the Iranian delegation alleged a right to control free navigation in the Gulf and straits and "started to spread lies that Iraq was asking for free navigation in Iranian territorial waters."

The Iranians rejected the proposal that the United Nations clear the Shatt Al Arab "and began to impose conditions inspired by a wish for blackmail and manoeuvring," he said.

Responding to Iran's allegation that Iraq imposed preconditions in the Geneva negotiations, he said this was "a pure lie and deception."

From the statements made by both delegations during the weekend and from Aziz's speech Tuesday, there was no indication

to die in Jerusalem since the

Also Wednesday, military offi-

cials said they were concerned

about a grenade-throwing inci-

dent near the Gaza Strip Tuesday

night, one of the first reported

attacks involving such a device.

to live ammunition, but said the

said that Naela Ayesh, 28, a

group, was detained early

Wednesday at her home on the

The officials refused to give a

Also Wednesday, Israeli troops

shot and wounded five Palesti-

nians, including one teenager, in

edge of Gaza City.

reason for her detention.

lus, a hospital official said.

situation would be watched.

settlers in Gaza to Israel.

uprising began Dee. 8.

# '73 war

day of glory and sorrow.

Israel, was the first to mark successes in the fighting since President Anwar Sadat was killed by extremists as he took the salute Oct. o, 1981.

In the parade, veteran Sovietmade tanks rumbled past the podium for inspection by President Hosni Mubarak ahead of modern armour, artillery, missiles and air defence systems.

and army chiefs, Mubarak watched T-34 tanks, M-59 amphibious assault vehicles, armoured troop carriers and rocket launchers which took part in the 1973 war drive into the Israeli-held Sinai. In a televised speech, he said

Egypt's troops who crossed the canal in 1973 ... "achieved victory in one of the most outstanding and daring crossing operations in military history."

Mubarak, flanked by his un-The handmade grenade was thrown at an Israeli car on a highway linking the 2,000 Jewish An army official described it as "an incident, not necessarily part of a trend." by Palesunians to switch from stones and firebombs

In his speech, Mubarak said Meantime, military officials Palestinian employee with the U.S. based Save the Children

"It gives a strong boost to the march of peace which our people accepted in a spirit of conviction because peace is the path to

Muharak also stressed econoa clash with stone-throwers in the occupied Wes! Bank city of Nab-Soldiers were posted at Al Ittihad hospital in Nablus to guard a healthy economy.

## King pays tribute to Egypt's firm stand in Taba dispute

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein circumstances and in the face of all hardships." Wednesday sent a cable to Egyptian President "Your wisdom and courage and steadfastness have Egypt by an international arbitration panel,

return of Taba to the motherland, a great historic said. event that ensured the return of the land to its King Hussein said Jordan appreciates Egypt's lawful owners," the King said.

firm stand in adhering to justice and Arab right and and prosperity under Mubarak's leadership. said "this stand has brought about this honourable Later Wednesday, King Hussein and President result which underlined Egypt's determination not Mubarak held a telephone conversation and exto give up any inch of the bomeland under any changed views on a number of current Arab issues.

Hosni Muharak congratulating him on the return of lent further credence to the principle of the in-Israeli-occupied Taba beachfront to Egypt and admissibility of acquisition of other countries expressed his delight and that of the Jordanian territory by force and reaffirmed the principle of people and government over the ruling in favour of U.N. Security Council Resolution 242 which calls for the withdrawal of Israeli forces from all Arab "I send you my deepest congratulations for the territories occupied in the 1967 war." King Hussein

enhancement of these principles and their contents The King paid tribute to President Mubarak's and wished the Egyptian people further progress

## Egyptian parade marks

CAIRO (Agencies) - Egypt showed off its military might Wednesday in a parade marking a

The parade, celebrating the Egyptian army's crossing of the Suez Canal in the 1973 war with

Flanked by cabinet ministers

official deputy, Defence Minister Field Marshal Abdul Halim Abu Ghazala, laid wreaths at the tombs of Sadat and the Egypt's Unknown Soldier before driving to the National Military Academy in suburban Heliopolis.

Egyptians were pleased with last week's verdict by international arbitrators awarding Cairo the Isralei-occupied beach of Taba. which Israel retained after returning the rest of Sinai to Egypt in

security and solving outstanding problems." he said.

mic difficulties that the 1973 war and three previous ones had put Egypt in. He said Egypt had overcome "very difficult obstacles and economic problems" and that the government was now taking the correct steps towards a

His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan meets with a group of cerebral palsled children Wednesday on the eve of the beginning of a campaign to raise funds to belp the Cerebral Palsy Foundation (Petra

# **CPF** launches fund campaign

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan group of cerebral palsy victims Wednesday formally opened a and their parents. campaign organised by the Cere- On Thursday, the CPF holds a brai Palsy Foundation (CPF) to raise funds for its activities to serve cerebral pulsy victims and handicapped children.

Addressing a meeting of university presidents and the CPF president and board members at the Royal Cultural Centre, Prince Hassan called for preparing a working paper on cerebral palsy by the Ministry of Education and other concerned departments for a detailed discussion and to help pave the way for suitable solu-

The meeting reviewed issues pertaining to cerebral palsy and the care given to the victims and the prospect of creating special classes at schools and providing qualfied teachers and instructors to deal with the special education of handicapped children.

countrywide fund-raising campaign to collect contributions to help finance the foundation's pro-

CPF President Fakhri Bilbeisi said students from schools, community colleges and universities had been recruited to help carry

out the campaign.
The CPF, which was established in 1977, last year arranged for the examination of 1,088 children by specialists at King Hussein Medical Centre and government hospitals, and for surgery on

40 others, all free of charge. Other activities included X-ray tests for numerous cases physiotherapy sessions and special education courses for handicapped children at the Royal Farah Rehabilitation Centre. Bilbeisi noted

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## **U.S.:** No sign of freedom for more hostages

WIESBADEN, West Germany the American hostages in (Agencies) - A U.S. State De- Lebanon. partment official said Wednesday there, were no signs that American hostages in Lebanon would be freed soon. Doctors pronounced a recently freed Indian hostage in good spirits but suffering from "tremendous stress."

A State Department debriefing team started questioning former hostage Mithileshwar Singh in hopes of learning the fate of the nine Americans still held in Lehanon, the Washington official

Singh arrived in the U.S. air force hospital in Wiesbaden early Wednesday, two days after his release in Beirut. His freedom sparked hopes for the release of the 16 foreign hostages still held in Lehanon.

official painted a gloomy picture at a news conference at the hospital Wednesday afternoon. "One wants to be encouraged that they will be released, but we

But the U.S. State Department

really don't know." said the offi-"There are no indications that

others are coming out," said the U.S. expert when asked about

The official, who is an expert

on hostage issues, requested strict anonymity, although he was speaking at a news conference before several dozen journalists. Television crews were ordered not to film the comments, and the lights were dimmed to prevent a violation of the ground rules.

"Dehriefing could only begin today," the State Department official said, but declined to provide details. A team of Iti to 12 State

Department officials flew to Wiesbaden Wednesday, hoping to glean new information from Singh on the status of Americans missing in Lebanon. Singh, 60, a resident alien of

the United States, was being examined at the Wieshaden hospital following his release following 20 months in captivity.

After arriving in Damascus. Singh said three American educators abducted with him were

Then he added: "It's better for me not to make any statements

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## Israeli police launch mass arrest drive in Jerusalem Lapidot said the detainees "are week.

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM Jerusalem Wednesday and arrested dozens of Palestinians,

according to reports. The raids in Abu Tor and Silwan on the southern edge of the city began shortly before midnight (2200 GMT) Tuesday and were expected to continue until Thursday, said police spokesman neighbourhoods to protest the Alex Lapidot.

(Agencies) — Israeli police suspected of participating in mounted a house-to-bouse search stone-throwing incidents and killed in a clash with police Sept. in Palestinian neighbourhoods of other disturbances" and declined 26 in the village of Jabal Mukabar to elaborate. The sweep, involving about 150 city. He was the first Palestinian

police, was one of the largest police operations in Jerusalem since the 10-month-old Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories began and followed inereased protests in the Palestinian death of a Jerusalem boy last

## Kach barred from Israeli elections, vows appeal

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — Israel's ful," said Police Minister Chaim central election committee Bar-Lev. Wednesday banned rabbi Meir Kahane's Kach party from contesting the Israeli general elections Nov. 1, ruling it was racist. A spokesman for Kach, Gad

Servetman, told Reuters it would appeal the decision to the supreme court. Our campaign is running as if nothing has happened. Our next step is to appeal to the supreme court in a day or two," he said.

The election committee attempted in the 1984 election campaign to ban Kach, which supports the expulsion of the Palestinians of Israel and the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, but the supreme court

overturned the ruling.
"In 1984, we didn't have an anti-racist law. Today we have. and I liope (Kahane's) appeal to the high court will not be success- voted against banning the party.

(PLO) not to hesitate in laun-

ching a bold political initiative

to help their 10-month-old up-

As PLO leaders meet in

Tunis this week to set a time

and place for the Palestine

National Council (PNC) to de-

hate proclaiming a state and

forming a provisional govern-

ment, the message from the

occupied territories is clear:

clearly but privately, 'don't

wait, don't delay until after the

elections in Israel and the Un-

ited States. The time for an

initiative is now," said a source

close to the underground lead-

Several sources said similar

messages had been sent to

Tunis from 2,500 Palestinian

political prisoners in Israel's

ership of the uprising,

"We are telling them very

the Labour Party, told reporters his party supported the ban even though Labour to gain if Kaeh drew votes from the right-wing Likud bloc.

sed 28-5 with three abstentions. was brought by seven parties, including Likud and Labour.

during World War II.

seats, voted 28-5 to ban Kach from the poll, Israel Radio said.

Bar-Lev, a leading member of

tee, including representatives of all panies with parliamentary

Thursday's motion, which pas-

In arguing for Kach's disqual-

The central election commit-

ification, legislators compared Rahane's anti-Arab platform to the Nazi's anti-Semitic policies

#### critically wounded Palestinian Committee members from shot after he allegedly attacked a Israel's religious parties and Kach soldier with a knife in the city's open air market, the army said.

occupied territories. clare an independent state and find a formula recognising Israel's existence that would enable the Palestinians to

released detainees, the sources

Some PLO officials have November. Advocates of a delay say the

ership of the Uprising, which has steered the 10-month-old revolt, stopped the drafting of petitions to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to prevent factional divisions, a source said.

political programme that would enable it to talk to the United States and attend an interna-

Natshe also told Reuters he believed the PLO might suspend the armed struggle against Israel, "which will be aimed at allowing Israeli mod-

the PLO's political programme should be based on U.N. Resolution 181 that called for the partition of Palestine into Jewish and Arab states. Acceptance of the 1947

General Assembly resolution would be tantamount to recognising Israel's right to exist. while leaving the final borders for the PLO to negotiate, they said.

## Khalaf: Government later

Palestinian leader Salah Khalaf said in an interview published Wednesday the PLO favours announcing an independent state while postponing the formation of a provisional government-in-exile.

Khalaf told the Tunisian weekly newspaper Al Batal: "We are not in a hurry on the

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reaction to the proposed estab-lishment of a Palestinian pro-Ketziot desert prison cump and erates to win the elections and (R) - Palestinians in the occufrom clandestine leaders in the gain power."
Most Palestinian leaders said pied West Bank and Gaza visional government has been They urged the PLO to de-Strip are urging the Palestine Liberation Organisation

Palestinians tell PLO — do not hesitate

negotiate with the United States and Israel on a two-state partition of Palestine. The prisoners' ideas were smuggled out on cigarette packets and scraps of paper by

said the PNC will convene in Algiers Oct. 14, but others said the PLO Executive Committee might delay the key session until after Israeli and American elections in early

PLO needs to know who will

hold power in Washington and

Israel before launching an in-

itiative. They also say Western

discouraging.
The Unified National Lead-

But some civic leaders in the West Bank and Gaza have spoken out individually. Mustafa Natshe, the deposed mayor of Hebron, said he hoped the PNC would declare independence or create a provisional government with a

ference.

tional Middle East peace con-

# RSS expands environmental monitoring projects

By P.V. Vivekanand Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Having already made major strides in monitoring air pollution in Amman, the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) is now expanding the scope of its observations to include some of the most potentially hazardous pollutants before submitting its findings and recommendations to the concerned authorities.

An air pollution monitoring project undertaken by the RSS Industrial Chemical Department's environment pollution laboratory has already passed its two-third mark and its final findings are expected to be out by mid-1989, when the three-year process concludes.

The ongoing study covers four majnr elements of air pollution sulphur dinxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides and total

by four stations set up in Amman IDRC, Hassan told the Jordan and suburbs by the laboratory in Times. 1986. In addition, it also operates B mobile monitoring station.

Avman Al Hassan, head of the laboratory and manager of the project, said Saturday additional equipment would be introduced to expand the scope of observation to hydrocarbons and ozone as well as inhalable particles -"the most hazardous to health. The ozone analyser and the hydrocarbon monitor will be introduced before the year's end" he

The study is being conducted under an agreement signed in 1985 between the RSS and Canada's International Development da's International Development Research Centre (IDRC). The initially envisaged cost of the project was 625,000 Canadian dollars up to 800,000 Canadian dollars, jointly financed by the RSS and the Ottowa-based suspended matter — monitored RSS and the Ottawa-based

Asked whether results obtained so far could be any definite pointer to air pollution parameters in Amman, Hassan explained that the three-year study had to be completed first before drawing up "national air pollution standards" for Jordan. Data collected from the four monitoring stations - located in downtown Amman, Mahatta, Marka and the RSS complex in Jbeiha — are fed into computers and classified as averages for days, weeks and mnnths before arriving at annual figures based on three years of study which also observes and records seasonal

Pressed further, Hassan said the downtown area was of "particular concern" since "natural ventil ation is hlocked by sur-rounding high hills." He said that carbon and sulphur dinxide emis-lem in the Fuheis area, where the Jordan Cement Factories are lo-

high pollution in the downtown

'We are looking for the main constituents in air pollution —

sions from vehicles are some of cated. The Ministry of Health has rocarbons and ozone is not cothe main causes for the relatively undertaken a study and is con-vered under the 1985 RSS-IDRC ducting its own monitoring and agreement, but the Canadian research work in this area.

The downtown area was of 'particular concern since natural ventilation is blocked by surrounding high

natural and combustion," said Hassan. "While the natural category includes mainly dust particles, most of the carbon elements are emitted from combustible fuel — gasoline and diesel as well as the heavy oil used by some industries."

Air pollutinn has been a problem in the Fuheis area, where the were also of high concern to many developed countries, and that the World Health Organisation (WHO) had defined them as essential to any study of air pollu-

According to Hassan, air pollution in jordan is not much different from neighbouring countries or many other developing states with similar topographical and climatic conditions, But, he noted, the ratio of vehicles to population in Amman was almost - "very high indeed for a developing country like Jordan' — according to a study made in 1985. Furthermore, he said, diesel used in Amman had a high sulphur content; 1.35 per cent. almost three times the internationally accepted level of 0.5 per

According to the 1985 study, 83 per cent of all vehicles in Jordan were registered in Amman while the population of the capital accounted for only 43 per cent of the Kingdom's total. Again, 30 per cent of all diesel-run vehicles were registered in Amman, the study found. This figure only included civilian vehicles.

As the locations of the four round-the-clock monitoring stations indicate, the current project exclusively covers the Greater Amman area. Residential regions of the capital are covered periodically by mobile monitoring equipment mounted on a van, which is assigned to specific areas in Amman and the suburbs for onemonth periods. "We designed and built the mobile unit ourselves at the RSS," said Hassan proudly. "The equipment is of course foreign but everything else is RSS design."

The planned expansion to hyd-

embassy in Amman donated the Hassan said the four elements relevant equipment to the RSS, under study in the Amman area Hassan said. The laboratory has already received the ozone analyser, he said pointing to a sleek machine which resembled a sophisticated computer printer.
Hassan said the laboratory had

numerous prnposals awaiting financial support. Projects undertaken by the laboratory include B study nf air pollution in Aqaba as result of phosphate loading at the port. The RSS and the Jordan Phosphate Mines Company (JPMS) signed a contract last month under which the RSS would set up four monitoring stations in Aqaba, observe phosphatic dust in the atmosphere, and submit a report to JPMC.

In additinn, the RSS laboratory is also involved in testing medical gases -- those used for anaesthetics -- to ensure that they comply with international medical stan-

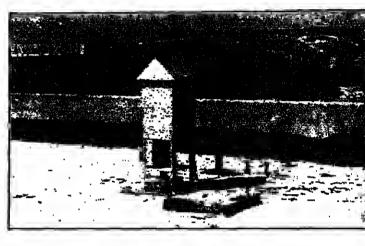
Another new RSS project covers a study of possible hydrogen sulphide pollution in the Zarqa area at a cost of about \$50,000. The RSS, the sole authority in air pollution studies in Jordan, is

currently discussing with Royal Jordanian (RJ) plan a proposal to monitor ozone on RJ aircraft flying across the Atlantic. "We also have indoor air pollution measuring equipment," Hassan said. "These apply mainly to industrial chemical plants where strict standards are tn be maintained against hazardous pollu-

The final findings of the various studies will be pnt tngether and scrutinised by the RSS for possible remedial suggestions. The suggestions and recommendations will be suhmitted to the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Rural Affairs and the Environment for necessary action.

"We hope to gradually expand our activities to cover the entire Kingdom," Hassan said. The air pollution study laboratory was set up in 1985 and now employs seven experts in various fields. Several of the experts have had specialised training in Canada





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#### JORDAN TELEVISION

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	French Cultural Centre	
	Goethe Institute	64199
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	Hussein Youth City	AA71816
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	Abdul Hamid Shoman	

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**MUSEUMS** 

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Museum." Fun and kinwledge for all ages, plus a small planetarium at the Haya Aris Centre. Open all week 9/00 a.m. - [c.m. and 3/00 pm. - 6/10] pm. Closed on Friday Folklore Museum; Jewelry and costumes ower [(0) years old Also mosaics from Madaha and Jerash (4/th to 18/th centuries]. The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours; 9/00 a.m.-5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 65/1761

Jordan Archaeological Museum; Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan, Jabal Al Qui'a 1Criadel Hill) Opening hours; 9/00 a.m.-5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10/100 a.m. ro 4/00 p.m.). Closed Tuesdays.

Closed Tuesdays.
Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculptures by contemporary Islamic attists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by zah, Jabal Luwerbdeh, Opening hours: 10 00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. and 3 00 p.m.-6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 630128.

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Martyrs' Memorial (Military Museum): Collectron of military memorabilia dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9.00 a.m.-4.00 p.m. Closed Saturdays. Tel. 664240.

SERVICE CLUBS

The Amman Lions Club, Meetings every first and third Wednesday at the every first and thred Wednesday at the Regency Palace Hotel. 7:30 p.m. Llons Philadelphia Club. Meetings ev-ery second and fourth Wednesday at the Ammon Hotel, 7:30 p.m. Philadelphia Rotary Club. Meening-every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn. 1:30 p.m. Rotary Club. Meetings every Tuesday at the Interconfinental Hotel. 200 p.m. p.m. Royal Automobile Clob. Jahal Am-man. Eighth Circle, Tel. 815261

**PRAYER TIMES** 

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## **CHURCHES**

SI. Joseph Church (Roman Catholic! Jabat Amman. Tel. 624590. Church of the Annunciation (Roman Catholic) Jabal Luwerbdeh. Tel. 627400

Cathore; Jabai Luwerogen, 1ei. 637440. De la Salle Church | Roman Catholie) Jabai Hussem, Tel. 66(757, Sungay English mass Isummer time 6 p.m. English mass (summer time 6 p.m., writer time 5 p.m.),
Terrasanta Church (Roman Catholie),
Jahal Luweihdeh, mass in Italian language, meet every Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Tel: 622366 Church of the Annunclation (Greek Orthodoxi Abdair, Tel. 02354).

Angliean Church [Church of the Re-deemer] Jahal Amman, Tel. 625383, chaplarn's residence tel. 611359 Armenian Catholic Church Ashrafieh, Armenian Orthodox Church Ashra-fich, Tel. 7752bl.

St. Ephraim Church | Syrian Ortho-dox | Ashrafich, Tel. 77175|

Amman International Church (Interdenominational I: meets at Southern

685326.
Evangelical Lutheran Church | Church of the Good Shepherd | Amman, Arabic Service: Sunday 7 p.m. Rev. N Smir, tel. 811285.
Rainbow Congregation Imeets at the Good Shepherd's Church | Interdenominational-ecumenical English Service: Saturday 6:30 p.m. tel. 822635, Rev. Veli.
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterbay Salms (Mormon) Tel. 815817, 821264.

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USEFUL **TELEPHONE NUMBERS** 

**NIGHT DUTY** 

AMMAN:	
Dr. Hisham Abu 'Argoub	778773
Dr. Dawood At Samhouri	653\$42
Dr. Mousa Bashir	617224
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Dr. Joseph Mseih	770560
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Fire Brigade	198, 891228		
Blood Bank	778303		

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Traffic Police 639141
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	Princess Basma Hospital 102)275555 Greek Catholic Hospital 102)272275 Ibn Al Nafees Hospital 102)2727100 AQAAA: Princess Haya Hospital 111 1131314111

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## FOR FRIDAY **JORDAN**

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RADIO JORDAN RSS KHz, AM & 99 MHz, FM & partly on 9560 KHz, SW Tel: 774111-19

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14:10 \_ .... Jordan Weekly ..... Good Old Days 16:30 .... Old Favourites 20:30 ..... Pop Talk 21:00 Jazz Hour 22:00 Rhythm and Blues 23:00 Thurty Minute Theatre

WORLDNET (At the American Cultural Centre) 09:00 ... America Todav 12:00 ... Newsike 13:00 ... Hour USA 14:00 ... America Today

...... The Forum Presents ... Adam Smith's Money World 16:00 Worldnet Dralogue Central American International Surgical Cingress 17:00 Worldner Dialogue — Election Series, Crizen participation in a Democratic Society 18:00 Satellite File No. 278 (English) Satellite File No. 278 (French)

> BBC WORLD SERVICE 639, 720, 1323 KHz

07:00 Newsdesk 07:30 Country Style 07:45 Reflectrons 07:50 Financial News 08:00 World News 08:09 Twenty-Four Hours: New Summary 8:30 Mastering Photography 08:45 The World Today 09:00 Newsdesk 09:30 Meridian 10:00 World News 10:09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary 10:30 Write on... 10:45 Seven Seas 11:00 World

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PRAYER TIMES

## Queen Noor leaves for Paris, London

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Majesty king Hussein saw off Her Majes-Oueen Noor at the airport Wednesday morning as she left

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International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and participate in its 40th anniversary celebrations held in Paris in cooperation with the French government and UNESCO.

French Prime Minister Michel Rocard, some heads of state, and dignitaries and officials from 61 countries, and representatives from various national and international organisations will par-

Oueen Noor will also attend the opening of the exhibition d'Ours en Ours at the National Museum of Natural History in Amman for a brief working visit to
France and the United Kingdom.
Queen Noor will address the

On Oct. 10 in London, Queen Nour will be guest of honour and patron of the Action Around Bethlehem Children with Disability (ABCD) fund-raising dinner to support medical and para-medical services to the disabled in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Queen Noor is accompanied by Mrs. Leila Sharaf and President of the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature Anis

## Jerusalem centre pays tribute to Crown Prince

tre for the restoration of Jerusalem and the documentation of the city's various sites has paid tribute to His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan for his contioued support for the centre.

A centre board member, Ibrahim Sbabouh, who was addressing a meeting by the Arab Housing Ministers Council, said that Prince Hassan had provided valuable backing for the centre in every way. Shabouh expressed appreciation to the Jordanian government for its contributions

TUNIS (Petra) - The Arab cen- to the centres development and also outlined the centre's activities which he said included restoration work on seven dilapidated monuments and collecting documents pertaining to several

other monumeots in the boly city. Addressing the Arah ministers council meeting later, Housing Corporation Director Yousef Hiyasat presented a general out-

line of his department's projects. Jordan's delegation to the council meeting is led by Minister of Public Works and Housing Shafiq Zawaideh.

#### **NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

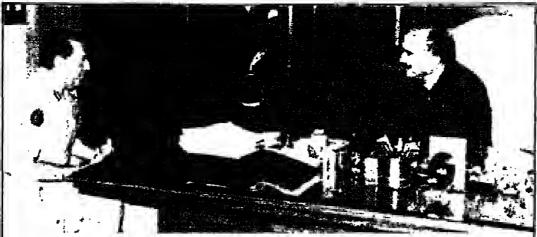
U.K. DEFENCE TEAM: A visiting team representing the Royal Defence College in the United Kingdom Wednesday visited the Agaba Region Authority and was briefed by its President Bassam Qaqish on the authority's activities and programmes in social, economic and tourist fields (Petra).

NURSING STUDENTS TRAINING: A total of 26 nursing students from Jordan University of Science and Technology Wednesday started training courses at the hospitals of the National Medical Institution (NMI).

POLISH TEAM AT RSS: A visiting team from the Polish Academy of Science Wednesday called at the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) and heard a briefing on the society's development and the various fuoctions of its departments (Petra).

MOBILE UNIT: A mobile unit of the Al Hussein Society for the Rehabilitation of the Physically Handicapped Wednesday visited Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST) and examined a number of patients being cared for by the university's Yarmouk Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Handicapped (Petra).

CHINESE EXHIBITION: A week-long Chinese art exhibition opened at the University of Jordan Tuesday. On display is a eollection of paintings depicting Chinese heritage and natural scenery, as well as sculptures representing prominent Chinese personalities, in addition to Chinese national costumes (Petra).



PRINCE MOHAMMAD AT GHQ: His Royal Highness Prince Mohammad, the Personal Representative of His Majesty King Hussein, Wednesday visited the Armed Forces Headquarters in Amman and met with the Commander in Chlef of the Jordanian Armed Forces Field

Marshal Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker. Also Wednesday Prince Mohammad called at the Public Security Department (PSD) and met with its Director Abdul Hadi Al Majali. The PSD chlef briefed the Prince on the oo-going development of his depart-

## Sharif Zaid observes army exercises

AMMAN (Petril) - Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker watched military exercises carried out by formations of the Fourth Royal Mechanised Division Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning.

The commander was briefed during the exercises on the duties

community

raises funds

AMMAN (Petra) — A meeting

was held at the Iraqi embassy in

Amman Wednesday to discuss

means of helping the Iraqi gov-

ernment finance the reconstruc-

tion of the liberated Fao Peninsu-

la through donations from the

Iraqi Ambassador Ghafel Jasem

Hussein chaired the meeting,

which was attended by embassy

staff and representatives of the

Iragi community in Jordan, dis-

cussed measures that eould be

taken to assist the national effort

which is being launched in Iraq

The ambassador later chaired a

meeting of an embassy committee

that has been entrusted with su-

pervising and managing the fund

raising campaign among fragis

and other Arab people in Jordan,

and later it was announced that a

plan had been worked out to

launch the campaign,

and other Arab countries.

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executed their mission with air support provided by the Royal Jordanian Air Force.

cises were army helicopters. Sharif Zaid later made an in- senior army officers.

of the participating units who spection tour of the units and met with the troops who took part in the military exercises, praising their efforts and voicing apprecia-Also taking part in the exer- tion for their commanders.

which dropped troops into the Sharif Zaid was accompanied mock-battle area and carried out on the visits by Army Chief of manoeuvres in the battle zone. Stuff Fathi Abu Taleb and

## Postal Day comes amid communications expansion

was founded in 1875.

occasion at a time when the coun- vices," the minister noted, try's post offices continue to communications Khaled Al Haj

dan, along with various countries last year handled one million of the world, will observe inter- postal items passing through its national Postal Day on Oct. 9 as 800 post office branches. "The set by the Switzerland-based Uni- country now has more than versal Postal Union (UPU) that 100,000 post office boxes, and the number will shortly be increased This year, Jordan observes the to ensure wider and better ser-

The UPU's council for postal handle growing numbers of postal studies, which is based in the items, and amid plans to expand Swiss city of Berne, is responsible postal services, according to for organising studies of major Minister of Transport and Tele-communications Khaled AI Haj nistrations in all UPU member countries, including Jordan.

## Jordan to take part in Algerian festival

AMMAN (Petra) — The Minis- (UNESCO). try of Culture and National Heritage will take part in a cultural entific and Cultural Organisation sites in the Arab World.

The festival, which will be attended by Antiquities Departfestival to be held in Algeria on ment Director General Adnan Al Oet 12 in cooperation with the United Nations Educational, Sci-films depicting archaeological

## Chamber music to play at RCC

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ziert." Att the age of 21 he passed

Academy Competition (1976)

his speciality.

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Royal Highness Princess Basma. Proceeds from the event, organised by the Goethe Institute in Amman, will benefit the Jorda-

all of whom stood on the threshold of a promising solo

national competitions.

The viola player, Hariolf Schlichtig, was to a special extent marked through his studies under Max Rostal, Sandor Vegh and Cecil Aronowitz. He had attracted attention as the holder of a scholarship from some industrial grants and as a student who was awarded prizes to promote his professional training, and in 1980 he was called to the Rheinland Musical Academy as professor for viola and chamber

The 'cellist Klaus Ramper also received instruction from wellknown teachers such as Rudolf Mehlhorn, Johannes Goritzki, Rudolf Metzmacher and Zara Nalsova and in the competition "Jugend musiziert" received oumerous prizes and marks of

with concentration and engagement, had successes to show astonishingly quickly. As early as 1979 they won the international tion, and a year later they came as winners out of the competition of the German Musical Council. the victory in France in a comtriumph the Cherubinis are mostly on tour, making recordings for various radio and television staover all the European countries.

received the first lessons on the bassoon at the age of 11, stood on drew completely from the public the platform only two years later in the 1985/86 season, in order to as soloist in an orchestral concert work more intensively on their and after a short and intensive study in Oslo took the post of Connoisseurs consider the four solo bassoonist as fifteen-year-old musicians who accompany the boy in the Bergen Symphony Cherubinis on their concert tours Orchestra. After continuing his as being each a top performer in studies in Hanover he won second prize (no first prize was Wolfgang Meyer, the clarinet-tist, has since he was 15 years old won first prizes in the West Gerawarded) at the competition in Munich in 1984 of the German broadcasting stations. Since 1985 man competition "Jugent musi-Dag Jensen is solo bassoonist of the Bamberger Symphoniker, has the final examination as musician moreover made numerous solo and emerged as first prize winner appearances, and in firms making from the German Musical gramophone records and in broadcasting stations over the and from the German Musical whole of Europe

hara did indeed receive his first lessons on the double-bass at the age of 11, but then conceotrated in Tokyo on the study of commercial science (which he completed with a diploma), until in Tokyo and Berlin he again intensified his study of the double-bass and in lay horn player, studied at the 1987 was awarded the second prize in the International Musical Competition of Geneva. Sioce outwardly measurable successes 1980 he is the solo double-bass can show first prizes in the inter-national competitions of "Premio" Orchestra of Cologne. He has (Italy) Liege and also frequently appeared as Munich. Since 1982 he is solo soloist with international orcheshorn player in the Radio Sym- iras and is member of the Nippon phony Orchestra of Berlin and as Octet.



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Crown Prince elected board chairman

# **Arab Youth Forum** established in Jordan

AMMAN (Petra) — The Arab Youth Forum (AYF) has been established in Jordan, and His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan has been elected chairman of its board of trustees.

the first general assembly meet-ing held under Prince Hassan's that pertain to Arab youths. chairmanship and the ariendance of 80 youths from Jordan and 13 from six Arab countries now studying at Jordanian universi-

In an address to the meeting, Prince Hassan underlined the need to promote the concept of eonstructive pluralism in all aspects of life within the Arab community in line with the principles of Great Arab Revolt and the Great Arab Rennaissance.

fo the light of its location within the Arab World, and in keeping with its national commitments, Jordan cannot help being open to all artitudes and is inclined to encourage dialogues among youths free from fanaticism, and ideological intimidation, Prince Hassan said.

The AYF has come into being in response to the desires of various youth sectors in Jordan including those youths studying at Jordaoian universities, and with the purpose of expanding the framework of dialogue and discussing national issues and pan-Arab problems in a respossible maoner, Prince Hassan pointed

This forum, he said, bas a basie role to play in developing the concept of dialogue among youths, which should become the main characteristic of the AYF. This, he added, will be "an essential experience to help promote culture, constructive thinking and creativity."

"The AYF should tackle all national and pan-Arab questions with an open mind and with respect to the views of others, backed with reasoning in judging matters and in benefitting from various seminars and activities not only in Jordan, but also those in the Arab World," Prince Hassan said.

Prince Hassan urged AYF members to maintain contacts and ties with organisations and cultural centres in Jordan and abroad.

At the outset of the meeting Abdullah Hijazi, delivered a speech outlining the formation of the AYF, and later the subcommittees' rapporteurs submitted outlines of the AYF's objectives and future activities.

The AYF has been set up upon the initiative of a group of Jorda-nian and other Arab youth in Jordan and with backing from the Jordanian government.

The AYF will serve as a forum for Arab youth to present and

discuss ideas that would belp

The AYF came into being with maintain links with policy makers

that pertain to Arab youths. The AYF will also maintain ties with youth organisations in various Arab countries to help build a solid basis for joint understanding among youths with regards to regional and international issues.

The meetiog which was held at the Royal Cultural Centre in Amman was arrended by Minister of Culture and National Heritage Mohammad Hammouri and presidents and deans of student faculties at Jordanian universities.

#### Visit to Ministry of Youth

Also Wednesday, Prince Hassan called at the Ministry of Youth where he met with Minister of Youth Awad Khleifat and Minister of Culture and National Heritage Mohammad Hammouri, presidents of Jordanian universities and other officials.

In a speech, Prince Hassan urged concerned departments to set up cultural, sports and social clubs in the country which, he said, would benefit the youth and promote the advancement of knowledge.

"The Arab renaissance is a con-

"Several ministries and depart ments in Jordan are connected in one way or another with the youth sector in Jordan, and these." the Prince said, "should maintain close cooperation to stimulate the role of the youth through various sports installations and clubs, ince this task is too heavy for the Ministry of Youth to carry on its OWD.

Khleifat spoke at the meeting outlining his ministry's various projects.

The ministry, he said, plans to set up a Jordanian federation for youth and sports information which will be entrusted with coordinating work with various information media.

> Support for ministry programmes

In comments carried by Petra later Wednesday, the Crown Prince said he fully supported the current programmes undertaken by the Ministry of Youth in the fields of culture social activities, culture and sports.

"It is incumbent upon the Ministry of Youth and the youth sector to reaffirm the concept of development and belonging," Crown Prince said. The Arab renaissance and the Great Arab Revolt are a continued process designed to overcome retardation." he said.

He emphasised that all future tinuing process and it represents a celebrations of Arab renaissance revolution against all forms of and the Great Arab Revolt would backwardness," Prince Hassan stem from the concept of their said in his speech,

## Swedish crew arrives to shoot film on Petra

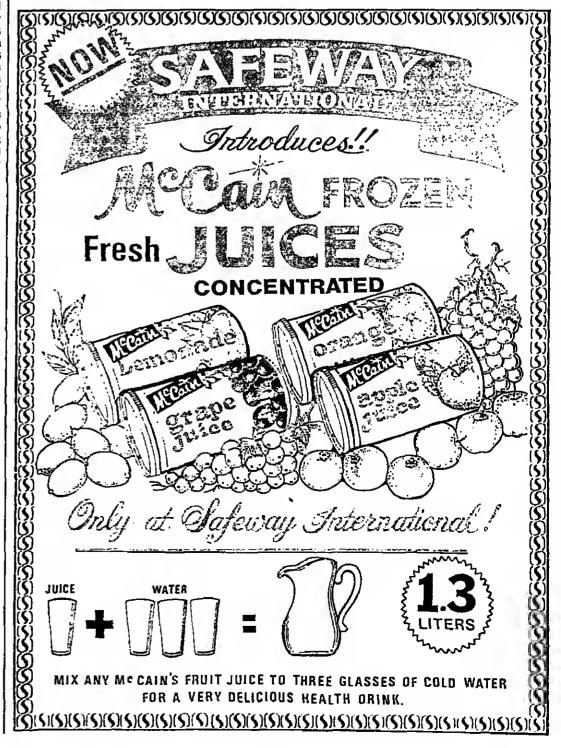
AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) — A ancient Nabatean city of Petra. Swedish television crew involved tory met Wednesday with Tourcrew that all possible assistance the coming year. will be offered to facilitate their mission in Jordan.

Director Adnan Al Hadidi who

The documentary, which will in preparing a documentary film have Arabic and Swedish subtion Jordan's archaeology and his- iles, will be distributed in Scandinavian countries and a number ism Minister Zuhair Ajlouni and of English speaking European briefed him on their work in countries, and will be shown on Jordan. The minister told the European television stations in

The team is headed by one of The crew members later met the most well-known television with Antiquities Department producers in Sweden, Mr. Olle Haeger. Mr. Haeger is a historian talked to them on Jordan's his- by profession and has during the tory and the most significant last two decades produced over a archaeological sites to the King-hundred documentaries on dom. According to the Jordan archaeological and historical sub-News Agency, Petra, the Swed- jects. The team, which also inish erew will produce a cludes the well-known British documentary about Jordan's his-scholar Mr. Lain Browning, will torical sites, in particular the spend two weeks in Jordan.

TRAINING SEMINAR ENDS: A 10-day training seminar for 70 heads of municipal councils in the Amman, Zarqa, and Balqa Governorates ended at the University of Jordan Wednesday. Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment Yousef Hamdao Al Jaber, who attended the closing session. reviewed with the participants their council's various services and later presented them with certificates.



## **WHAT'S GOING ON**

The following listings are compiled from monthly bulletins and the daily Arabic press. Readers are advised to verify the listed time and place with the concerned institutions.

## **EXHIBITIONS**

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TIMES

— 7:00 p.m.

- 4 Art exhibition by Omar Al Basoul, at the Housing Bank
- \* "The Individual, Sport and Olympic Games" book exhibit, at the Palace of Culture, Al Hussein Youth City. \* Book exhibition, at the Professional Association Complex.
- ☆ Book exhibition, at Al Walaja Cooperative Society, Jabal
- \* Folkloric exhibition, at the Al Manarah Social Development Society, Al Manarah.
- An exhibition of paintings by Mohammad Shamseddine, at the Petra Bank Gallery.
- ↑ Islamic book exhibition and charity bazaar, at the Islamic Cultural Centre, University of Jordan. An exhibition of antiquities of Tell Abu Hamid agricultural
- settlement in the Jordan Valley, at the Department of Antiquities Registration Centre. \* First Amman International Motor Show, four kilometres from
- the Seventh Circle. \* Book exhibition, at Yarmouk University, Irbid.
- \* Children's cultural programme, which includes book and
- drawing exhibitions, at the Housing Bank Complex. ☆ Chinese art exhibition, at the University of Jordan — 11:00
- ☆ Children's books and drawings exhibition, at the Abdul Hamid
- Shoman Foundation 4:00 p.m. Art exhibition by Salameh Kana'an, at Al Wasiti Gallery, Plaza
- Population Education Activities Exhibition, at the Royal
- Cultural Centre 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. \* Photo exhibition, at the Jordanian Social Services Institute in

## **LECTURE**

A lecture in Arabic entitled "Sound Raising of Children of the Fnture." at the Ajloun Women's Association - 5:00 p.m. in Mafraq Imorning and evening sessions!.

## DEBATE

\* The debate between U.S. vice presidential candidates Lloyd Bentsen (Texas-Democrat) and Daniel Quayle (Indiana-Republican) will be shown at the American Centre - 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

A feature film (video) entitled "Places in the Heart," at the American Centre - 7:00 p.m.

## A concert by Cherubini Quartett and Friends, at the Royal

CONCERT

Cultural Centre - 8:00 p.m. ☆ Arabic Play "Shatia Al Zayton," at the Royal Cultural Centre

## PUPPET SHOW

☆ A puppet show entitled "Flying Carpet," at the Abdul Hameed

Shoman Foundation — 5:00 p.m.

AMMAN (J.T.) - The Cherubi- bles had entered. Since this ni Quartet and Friends group of West Germany will present a concert at the Royal Cultural Centre Thursday, Oct. 6, 1988, tions and are guests at the great under the patronage of Her festivals in Berlin, Ludwigshafen, Schwetzingen and Salzburg. In spite of all successes they with-

nian Save the Children Fund. The Cherubini Quartet (the name is of an Italian composer whom Beethoven esteemed as higher than any of his other contemporaries) was founded in 1978. by four young instrumentalists between 22 and 27 years of age,

Christoph Poppen, the first violinist and young star of the quartet, can count Nathan Milstein, Oscar Shumsky and Joseph Gringold (and others) among his teachers and was a prize-winner in numerous national and inter-

Harald Schoneweg, the second violinist, studied under Igor Ozim, Sandor Vegh and Nathan Milstein and was several times a prize-winner in the West German competition "Jugend Musiziert" (Youth makes music").

distinction.

The "Cherubinis," working

Karl Klingler quartet competi-In 1981, the quartet achieved petition in Evian for string quar-

tets for which top-ranking ensem-

a horn and chamber music player much in demand and exuberant with musicianship has travelled

> Dag Jensen, now 24 years of age, comes from Norway. He

Competition in Bonn (1976). The Japanese Yasunori Kawa-Since then his playing in numerous solo and chamber music evenings in Germany and abroad has won him the reputation of being one of the most brilliant and versatile clarinettists of his Radovan Vlatkovic, the Jugosmusical academies of Zagreb and Detmold and the number of his

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## Consolidating the gains

IN HIS remarks earlier this week to local editors in Amman and to residents of Mafraq Governorate, Crown Prince Hassan has proposed a welcome and realistic basis for the development of Jordan in the next phase of our national

He talked of pluralism, constructive and active dialogue, the interaction of ideas, and decentralised implementation. He also mentioned that we are passing from the phase of building services to that of huilding productive projects.

The challenge that Jordan faces in the next decades is perhaps more demanding than that we faced in the previous decades of statehood. While we have passed through the stage of building a country, we are now faced with the challenge of sustaining it, and of deepening both the depth of its institutions and the concept which the Crown Prince referred to as the "belonging" of the citizenry.

Public participation and constructive pluralism, through decentralised mechanisms of participatory government, decision-making and accountability, strike us as pivotal elements of our desire to keep building Jordan into a country that generates pride amongst its nationals and respect among other states and peoples. The urgent priority now is to follow up on the concepts which have been so clearly articulated by our leadership, and to strengthen those dynamics and institutions throughout the country which can provide the institutional mechanism to implement the ideals we all share.

Jordan has reached this stage of development on the basis of principles of dialogue, consultation and shared goals which have withstood the pressures of our very turbulent region. To reaffirm such principles, as Crown Prince Hassau has done this week, is to reinvigorate our conviction in the methods of our nation-building.



## **ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS**

Al Ra'i Arabic daily Wednesday commented on the start of Israel's parliamentary election campaign which is being launched hy both main parties under the slogan of "security and peace." It said that the Israelis feel that peace and security are still lacking despite the lapse of 40 years since the establishment of the Jewish state in occupied Palestine. What makes it even worse for the Israelis is the current Palestinian uprising which demonstrates the fact that arrogance and aggression and occupation over the past four decades have failed to win Israel the aspired security, the

Al Dustour Arabic daily commented on His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan's tour of the Mafraq Governorate Tuesday and his call for the involvement of all able citizens in the process of development and construction. The Prince's statement falls in line with his earlier call for the transformation of Jordan from a consumer to a producer society. This requires greater decentralisation and serious efforts on the part of all people to achieve the aspired goals, the paper said.

Sawt Al Shaah daily also dwelt on Prince Hassan's statement in Mafraq, underlining the need for the creation of a suitable atmosphere for a wide based popular participation in the process of construction and development. Indeed the country's development plans and the future schemes to the Kingdom require not only well-studied plans but also qualified and skilled management that can take into consideration the involvement of a larger sector of the population, the paper noted. The paper associated the Prince's statement with a call by the government earlier this week on small farmers to pool their resources and form agricultural companies that can yield better production and achieve a larger margin of profit.

## **ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES**

# Question that await answers

A columnist in Al Ra'i Arabic daily Wednesday urges the Arab World to take serious moves towards helping the Lebanese people to overcome their present predicament and find an acceptable solution for the presidential problem. Tareq Masarweh comments on the recent U.S.-Syrian mediation efforts to solve the issue and asks, if Murphy (the U.S. mediator) had failed in his mission, why should the Arab countries accept this failure and remain passive? The European countries have shown interest in the U.S. -Syrian moves and so did the Arah masses, but since these efforts were spent in vain, Arah countries ought to take the initiative and save Lebanon from another catastrophe, the writer says. Masarweh reminds the Arabs of a constructive move on the part of the former Lehanese President Amin Gemayel who heads the rightist forces in Lehanon when he scrapped the May 17 agreement with Israel because he refused to involve his country into another Camp David agreement with the Israeli enemy, and says this positive step should be exploited by Arab mediators in their attempts to bring together the various warring factions of Lehanon. He concludes hy asking: If we Arabs fail to assist the Lebanese now who will ever believe in our willingness and sincerity to deal with more complicated questions like the Israeli occupation of Arah lands?

# Jordan Times Oriental roots, Occidental fruits

By Henry Tanner

PARIS - On Sunday morning April 13, 1975, a young Lebanese journalist named Amin Maalouf was trying to recover from jet lag after a flight from Vietnam when he was awakened in his home in Ain Rumaneh, a Christian sub-nrb of Beirut, by shots and shouts. Peering through the curtains, he saw bodies lying in the street and people running in all

Christian gunmen had ambushed a passing bus and kil-led 27 of its Palestinian passengers in retaliation for the killing of a prominent Christian in front of a nearby church. The shootings marked the start of Lebanon's civil war, which is still raging.

They also changed the life of Maalouf who 10 years later has become an acclaimed French novelist and historian.

At the time, he was a foreign correspondent reporting from Asia and Africa for the Lehanese daily An Nahar, and had never dealt professionally with events in his own country.

"It was strange to be witnessing with my own eyes, in my own country, a historic event whose consequences turned out to be so much larger than they seemed at the time," he recalled recently at his Paris residence.

Saigon was to fall on April 30 and Phnom Penh had fallen on April 17, but the Lehanese no longer cared about anything that was happening outside their country and I realised that if I wanted to continue writing about the things I knew, I had to leave." On June 16, 1976 - the day the U.S. amhassador, Francis oriental tapestries. E. Meloy Jr., was killed in Beirut

visa, he arrived in Paris.

Today, writing in French, he is French author. He is also an Oriental storyteller. As an 'Oriental Christian," as he calls himself, his chosen subject is the interaction of the different civi-lisations on whose dividing line he lived in Lehanon - Orient and Occident, Islam and Christ-

His first book, written soon after his arrival in Paris, was "The Crusades Through Arah Eyes," in which he told Western Christian readers — for the first time, he says - how the Muslims of the Orient experienced those years. "There is no such account in Western literature," he said. "It was an intellectual game to find out whether the story could be told exclusively on the hasis of contemporary Oriental reports without going to Western sources.

"Western writers accompany ing the Christian armies rarely ventured beyond the hig garrison towns, like Tyre," he said. Accounts from Oriental sources are truer, because they deal with all aspects of life including locusts, plague, religion, politics and wars between local princes; the war against the Christians never was the main event in the lives of contemporary Muslims."

His two later books, both hest sellers, are works of fiction. In each, he takes a historical figure Timbuktu to Cairo as a diplomat about whom few facts are known. puts him in the context of his time and place and adds a myriad of invented but historically plausible details. The finished portraits have the intricate richness of

In "Samarcand," his latest - Maalouf was on a boat to work, which appeared in France a Cyprus, and a day later, having few months ago, the key figure is been unable to obtain a Canadian Omar Khayyam, the 12th century

'My family has been Christian since the first or second century. I feel at home in the Occident. But Islam is essential to my life.'



Amin Maalouf

Persian astrologer and physician whom his Oriental contemporaries acclaimed as a scientist but who achieved fame in the West as a lyrical poet when a colection of his secretly written verse was

discovered nine centuries later. "Leo the African," which appeared in 1986, is Maalouf's imagined version of the life and loves of Hassan Al-Wazzan, a legendary 16th century scholar. The hare facts of al-Wazzan's life are a matter of record: He was born a Muslim in Andalusia, fled to North Africa as a child after the Christian conquest of Spain. and travelled across Africa from and merchant. On his return, his ship was boarded by pirates who sold him into slavery in Rome. He became a protege of Pope Leo X and converted to Christianity. As Leo Africanus and Giovanni Leone de' Medici, the name of his papal benefactor, he taught Arabic and wrote a scho-

larly "Description of Africa" he-

fore returning to Fez and dying a

Muslim.

The English translation of "Leo" came out in London last month and the American edition is due in January. It has been translated into a dozen-odd other languages, and a pirate edition in Farsi has appeared in Tehran. Translations of "Samarcand" are

in the works. Not hy accident. Omar Khayyam aod Leo both were men who transcended the civilisation in which they lived: Leo, in addition to converting to Christianity without renouncing Islam and being European as well African. soothed cultural, personal and political conflicts all along his road as a mediator. Omar Khayyam was a skeptic who rejected the religious intolerance of his time.

"Naturally, there are frag-ments of autohiography in everything one writes — reflections of what one is or would like to be," Maalouf said.

The author was brought up — in Arabic, French and English —

as a member of Lehanon's small Greek Catholic community, which is dependent on Rome but follows the Eastern rite. The Greek Catholics are a minority of about 5 per cent in Lebanon and even less in Israel and Syria.

"My family has been Christian since the first or second century," Maalouf said, "I feel at home in the Occident. But Islam is essential to my life."

In the past as now, he said, "the Occident and the Orient have been living in mutual distrust and fear; each sees itself as a victim, as being culturally and politically aggressed by the other.
"If I were a Muslim, perhaps 1

would feel the same way. As a Lehanese Christian, 1 do not acknowledge the barriers."

Maalouf skillfully waves the threads of contemporary bistory into his fictional narratives, as Leo and Omar Khayyam both encounter the historical figures of

One of the most haunting portraits in "Samarcand" is that of Hassan as-Sahbh, the founder of the Assassins, a Shiite sect reputed to be one of the most violent movements in the history of Islam. Another is Nizam al-Mulk, the powerful founder of the Seljuk empire, who was also a historian and thinker - an "Oriental Machiavelli," in Maalouf's words - who recorded and commented on the events he helped shape. He was assassinated by as-Sabbah's men.

Maalouf's research showed him that Khayyam, as-Sabbah and al-Mulk were in Samarkand at the same time, for at least one year, and probably knew each other. In his narrative, he brings them together in an elaborate weh of intrigue, friendship, hatred and

Maalouf came across Leo the African while doing research on another Islamic traveller, Ibn Batuta. He looked up the sketchy biography in an encyclopaedia, then went in search of various editions of 'Description of Africa" in Italian libraries and became fascinated by the personage. Among the intriguing facts he found was that Shakespeare had been told about Leo before creating Othello, the Moor that has many of his traits, and that Yeats reported to have heard Leo's voice in spiritualist ses-

"I invented Leo's personal life, but his travels and hasic experiences are historical fact," Maalouf said. "All the women are invented; there are no women in the historical accounts."

Omar Khayyam, like Leo, was a natural Maalouf hero — "a man who belongs both to the Orient and the Occident; a 12th century Oriental astrologer whose poetry was discovered and popularised by an Englishman in the 19th century and whose fame was then re-exported to the Orient from the West."

A reporter by trade, he would not have dared to write outright fiction but "needed the link with history," Maalouf said. For the same reason, it took him some time hefore he realised that "Leo" had to be written in the first person singular. He clearly identifies with both his heroes.

"Like any journalist, I put the story behind me once it is written," he said. "Now I am getting more and more deeply into my next character." It is a safe bet that the new hero, too, is a traveller and a man of several civilisations about whom little is being said in the history books -International Herald Tribune.

# Strauss's death leaves gaping hole in West German right

By John Kampfner ...

BONN — The death on Monday of Franz Josef Strauss leaves a power vacuum in West German politics that bodes ill for his rightwing party, and could boost the authority of Chancellor Helmut

For several decades, the heavyjowled, stout Bavarian premier was a towering presence on the political scene of the young, and still nervous, West German democracy.

Kohl, whose Christian Democrats are allied in Bonn with Strauss's Christian Social Union (CSU), often travelled to Munich to seek the Bavarian's agreement on thorny issues.

"Bavaria's influence will be reduced to that of any of the other 10 states," said Peter Glotz, a senior Bavarian opposition politician and a member of the Bonn parliament.

"With Strauss gone, there is going to be less infighting in the coalition. Kohl will carry much more weight," he added. He noted that the Liberals, the third party in Kohl's coalition, may also have an easier ride in government decisions.

Rarely cowed into compromise, Strauss espoused traditional

values among German conservatives - respect for authority, the police, the church and order which found a ready niche among Bavarians and many elsewhere in the country.

Strauss, whose charisma was a major vote-puller, did not groom a deputy of any great stature. 'His death, like that of Konrad

Adenauer (West Germany's first chancellor), marks the end of an era. Both men were irreplaceable," said Guenter Rohrmoser of Stuttgart University, a longtime friend of Strauss.

The CSU exists only in Bavaria, where it has ruled with an absolute majority for more than

Strauss had been parry leader since 1961 and state premier since 1978, pursuing strict law-andnrder and other social policies often at odds with Bonn.

"Strauss's personality was Bavarian politics. He achieved folkloric dimensions," Rohrmos-

A former defence and finance minister, Strauss had not been in any Bonn cahinet since 1969. choosing to wield influence from his Munich power hase. In 1980, he made a bid for the chancellorship hut was easily beaten by Helmut Schmidt.



Franz Josef Strauss

votes over the past few years and some observers say that after Strauss there is a chance it could fall under 50 per cent in the next state elections in 1990. It received less than 56 per cent in 1986.

Rnhrmoser helieves some of these votes could go to extreme right-wing splinter parties. "One of Strauss' greatest achievements in the post-war reconstruction was integrating the right-wing into democratic procedures," he

Two CSU stalwarts are being touted as likely candidates for the Bavarian premier post - Strauss' The CSU has gradually lost deputy Max Streihl, 56, who automatically took over as caretaker, and Gerold Tandler, 52, a former longtime party general secretary.

Younger activists, like Peter Gauweiler. 39. Bavaria's highly controversial and ambitious deputy interior minister who was behind tough measures to comhat A1DS and to restrict abortions, is likely to wait in the wings until a later date.

Federal Interior Minister Friedrich Zimmermann, who has the highest profile of the three CSU members of Kohl's cahinet. is believed at 63 to be too old to

# **Northern Somalia** laid waste by three months of civil war

By Graham Hancock Reuter

HARGEISA, Somalia - A civil war in northern Somalia has left severe malnutrition. the government in control of the fuced to deserted heaps of rubble.

Diplomats and Somali officials estimate that 50,000 people died in Heavy fighting between gov-ernment forces and rebels of the Abdi Karim Asser. the Chief Somali National Movement Medical Officer, told Reuters. (SNM) during June, July and August.

More than 400,000 refugees fled to neighbouring Ethiopia. The northern city of Hargeisa, which once had a population of

half a million, is a ghost town. Whole sections of Hargeisa were flattened by artillery shelfing between government and rebel forces occupying different parts of the town.

The government says 14,000 huildings were razed and a further 12,000 heavily damaged hefore the army regained control of Hargeisa in mid-August.

A month later, I saw rotting corpses still scattered in the rubhle of this city, which until the civil war was the second largest in Somalia after the capital Mogadishu.

Hargeisa's water supply system was knocked out in the fighting, food is short and the town's overcrowded hospital is packed with

children whose hands or feet were blown off by grenades and anti-personnel mines. There are also many cases of

"Many of these people have mountainous arid region, but its been misled by the SNM into would kill them if they came home and accordingly they have hidden in the bush for a long time

> The SNM launched a massive attack on Hargeisa on June 1 and succeeded in occupying most of the town at one stage, but it never captured the military headquar -.

> Somali officers say the army regained full control of Hargeisa in a two-week push at the beginning of August.
> The SNM's other main target

> was Burao, a town 180 km (110 miles) East of Hargeisa, which it overran on May 27.

> The army recaptured Burgo in mid-July hut the town is now wrecked and deserted, littered with burnt-out vehicles, empty ammunition cases, unexploded. mortar bombs and abandoned

Army officers said that after its offensive in the north failed, the SNM reverted to its traditional hit-and-run guerrilla tactics. The SNM, sworn to topple the

government, was founded in 1981 and draws most of its support from the large Issaq clan living in northern Somalia.

It operated mainly from crosshorder hases in Ethiopia, whose long-standing dispute with Somalia over the Ogaden border region hoiled over into full-scale war from 1977 to 1978.

Ethiopia, pressured by rebel victories in its northern provinces of Eritrea and Tigray, restored normal relations with Somalia in April this year.

As part of the deal, Addis Ababa agreed to stop supporting the SNM and diplomats say the rebel movement decided to launch an all out offensive in northern Somalia after heing forced to evacuate its Ethiopian base camps.

Army officers say the rebels still ambush vehicles on side roads in the north, but most of the main roads have been reopened and the towns are once

more in government hands. "We are slowly returning the whole region to normal," Brigadier-General Talan Ali, military commander of the northern port of Berbera, told Reuters.

"However, we are hampered by the present rainy season, which prevents us from launching large-scale operations to mop up the remaining terrorists in the bush," he added.

The cost of the war has been immense. Officials in Mogadishu say the destruction in the north and the refugee exodus have depeffort to clean up the North Sea. | rived the government of 40 per cent of its recurrent revenue.

# Seal deaths highlight North Sea pollution crisis

By Deborah Telford

LONDON - Is pollution to blame, in part, for the deaths of thousands of seals in the North

Since May, an epidemic has wiped out more than 10,000 seals off the coasts of the Netherlands, West Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Norway and now Bri-

This month scientists found evidence that the epidemic has spread to Europe's biggest grey seal colony off the Farne islands, northeast England.

Most scientists in Europe studying the epidemic agree with the theory Dutch scientist Dr. Albert Osterhaus published in August that canine distemper virus caused the seal deaths.

Although pollution is not seen as the direct cause, many scientists including Osterhaus say it probably lowered the seals' immunity to disease and that their deaths are just one symptom of a sick North Sea heing slowly killed

Their claim appears to be supported by recent Norwegian reports which showed the seal death toll was much lower along Norway's central and northern coast than in the more polluted

Swedish scientists said last week the epidemic appeared to be ending in the waters off Sweden. Denmark, Norway and the Netherlands, with only occasional seal carcasses being washed ashore now compared with hundreds when the disaster began.

They expect the epidemic to be over in those waters by early October but warn the worst is probably still to come in Britain.

> What are the real causes?

"We have got to get to the real causes of why the North Sea is becoming so toxic and deal with those causes." Body said.

Total government expenditure on North Sea pollution research British factories are also blamed this year is £7.5 million (\$12.5 for causing North Sea pollution.

million), excluding £45,000 (\$75,000) for research into the seal epidemic. The government says it is in-

creasing research funding each year, but that unlimited amounts cannot be spent. In June it responded to European pressure by agreeing to sulphur dioxide reduction targets set by the European Community of 20 per cent by 1993, 40 per cent

hy 1998 and 60 per cent by 2003. In March, the Environment Conservancy Council which advises the government on conservation matters had told parliament 60 to 70 per cent reductions were necessary.

But the government says in considering environmental issues it cannot ignore the lobbies of British Industries. "It has to halance economic

questions with environmental

ones. Environmental concern comes at a cost," a spokesman for the Department of Environment Sulphur dioxide emissions from

when the sulphur emissions are blown towards Scandinavia large amounts fall into the sea.

Britain has less incentive

Andy Booth, a spokesman for the environmental group Greenpeace, told Reuters that Britain has less incentive to clean up the North Sea than other states.

"Because of the way the currents move around the North Sea most of the waste ends up on other countries' shores," Booth

Booth said the signs that the North Sea is in serious trouble have never been as obvious as this year. In May, massive areas of the

North Sea were blanketed with a new form of red algae which was able to live there because of excessive huildups of nutrients in the water caused by overintensive land agriculture.

The algae flourished, died and decayed quickly, using vast quanthousands of fish deaths.

Prevailing westerly winds mean In August there was a massive failure in breeding of Britain's east coast sea birds, with as few as four young hirds being hatched on islands which usually have up to 2,000. Greenpeace said intensive industrial fishing methods and pollution meant the hirds had fewer fish to feed on.

> In some southern parts of the North Sea, some species of fish which live on the seabed suffer abnormalities including cancerous growths. Booth said.

> A senior M.P. from Britain's ruling Conservative Party, Sir Richard Body, criticised the government recently for not spending enough on pollution research,

> It will take two to three years to prove conclusively whether or not canine distemper virus is the culprit and whether pollution played a part in lowering im-

Meanwhile environmentalists including the European Community's Environmental Commission say governments should tities of oxygen which resulted in not wait before making more

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In an interview with Ibrahim Moliammad Zankeh, a Kurdish governor of the Arbil region in Iraqi Kurdistan, the governor needed the strongly denied hosule reports alleging that Iraqi forces bad demolished local bornes. On the contrary the Iraqi government has been involved in building singular, Ik ath both his housing units and schools within the Arbil governorate to house homeless Kurds, the governor

Following the autouncement of the amnesty and until the end of last month nearly 100,000 returning Kurds have been re-settled in new homes which have all basic utilities, the governor

Zankeh denied American allegation that the Iraqi armed lorees had used chemical weapons or poisonous gas in their latest campaign to purge the region from cullaborators who fought Iraq alongside the Iranian revolutionary guards.



Ex-Kurdish rebel Ahmad Jamil Hweiz

The governor of the northern Iraql region of Arbil Ibrahim Muhammad Zankeh being interviewed by Al Ra'i reporter Caroline

1984 agreement, with the central us autonomy rule," said the gov-Turkey because here we enjoy full rights, and unlike Kurds in neighbouring states we use our national language in schools and at the Kurdish Saladdin uni-

versity. Zankeh said that the total Kurdish population of Iraq is four million, with 743,000 living in the

Arhil region alone. Zankeh said that to hack the Iraqi armed forces campaign the local Kurdish population formed 300 units each of 300 fighters who stormed the rehels hideouts and drove them out of the region.

The Iraqi army had to carry out the campaign following massucres, demolishing of homes, hurning of plantations and other atrocities carried out by the re-

We live in peace since the bels upon the instigation of and with backing from Iranian revolu-Iraqi governmeni which granted tionary guards, Zankeh added. In an interview with Ahmad

ernor. "We are different from Jamil Hweiz, one of the Kurdish our Kurdish hrothers in Iran or rebels from Arbil, who fled the country after joining the rebels groups. Hweiz said that he had joined the Talbani Kurdish rebel gruup in 1986 in order to escape conscription.

"I spent some time leading a team of marauders attacking and pillaging Iraqi villages inhabited by Kurds or Arabs upon instructions that we received from abroad (meaning Iran)," Hweiz

\*Despite the fierce battles between our groups and the Iraqi armed forces we never witnessed the Iraqis using chemical weapons.

He said that he was now satisfied having returned home tu settle peacefully with his family and community.

'People survive on leaves, grass'

# Famine, not the gun, kills in south Sudan's civil war

By Hamza Hendawi

KHARTOUM — Famine bas replaced the gun as the lethal weapon in south Sudan's civil war, a catastrophe little known to

the outside world at first band. Diplomats and United Nations relief officials estimate that tens of thousands of non-combatant civilians have died during the conflict. Hunger, not bullets, killed almost all of them.

The relief officials say many thousands more will soon die of starvation or malnutrition-related diseases unless food supplies are sent in urgently.

Southern politicians have the Muslim, Arabised north. urged the government to declare the region a disaster area, but complain it is indifferent to the plight of the south wheras it acted promptly when floods devastated northern Sudan in August.

Diplomats say about half the south's estimated six million people have fled to other parts of Sudan or to Ethiopia in search of food and security. Most uf those

British,

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resume

GENEVA (Agencies) — Senior British and Iranian officials Tues-

day resumed talks on normalising

relations after Britain announced

agreement on restoring full di-

A source close to the Iranian

delegation reported substantial

progress in resolving remaining

problems. The source, who in-

sisted on anonymity, declined to

talks

plomatic ties.

ing 30 grass and leaves.

The famine, resulting from the breakdown of the agricultural cycle in five years of civil strife, has so far aroused little concern in the

James Ingram, executive director of the U.N. World Food Programme, said this was largely because television crews were unable to reach the areas of suf-

Government officials blame the rebels of the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA), which launched its bush war in 1983 to win autonomy for the mainly animist or Christian south from

The rebels have consistently ambushed trucks, river barges and trains carrying supplies to the south, maintaining that the convoys also provisioned army garrisons and were legiumate targets since they were escorted by soldiers.

A long-standing SPLA threat to attack planes flying to the south without its permission has of the Red Cross (ICRC) said

two Sudanese airliners, in the past two years.

Diplomats said SPLA strategy appeared to be aimed at forcing people to move, under threat of starvation, from governmentcontrolled areas to rebel-held re-

They said there was evidence that food was reaching people in areas under rebel control from unknown relief sources in Ethiopia, bome of the SPLA's leadership, Kenya and Uganda. Like any guerrilla army, the SPLA depended on the sympathy of sections of the local population for food, information and secur-

ity, the diplomats said.
They doubted that the SPLA deliberately sought the mass exodus of southerners. "The rapid depopulation of the south could be playing into the army's hands," said one senior U.N. official based in Khartoum.

The International Committee

of food. The rebels have shot the key to life in the south, would down several aircraft, including die unless large-scale vaccination was under way before the end of

the year. And the U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF) said the infant mortal-ity rate had rocketed in the south over the past five years and an immunisation programme was urgently needed.

The SPLA has yet to give clearance to a governmentapproved plan by the ICRC to send food to the south to feed an estimated one million people. The scheme envisages simultaneous deliveries to government and rebel-controlled areas.

Relief officials said one reason for the rebel reluctance to give the go-ahead might be dissatisfaction with the amount of food designated for SPLA districts.

They are just playing games with the ICRC, said Bryan Wannop, Sudan representative of the U.N. Development Programme. "Perhaps they just don't

want any food to reach government-controlled towns.

## **MIDDLE EAST NEWS IN BRIEF**

#### Blasts rock British compound in Cyprus

NICOSIA (R) - Twu explosions rocked British married quarters on the outskirts of Limassol causing minor damage but no injuries, a British base spokesman said Wednesday. Major Johnny Rogers said the explosions occured at about midnight at a British military married quarters compound west of Limassol outside the main British base area of Akrotiri-Episkopi. "It was thought that hand-held explosive devices were thrown over the perimeter fence at the Berengaria martied quarters estate... They both exploded and minor damages were caused," Rogers said.

#### Israeli army holds large exercise

TEL AVIV (R) - Israel's army launehed Tuesday its first major public call-up exercise for reservists since March 1987 but military sources said it did not indicate any unusual tension with Arab stites. Israel radio and television broadcast six coded names corresponding to military units of unspecified size and said reservists should report to their bases immediately. Code names à usual meant little to the average citizen. An army spokesman said the exercise would be completed rapidly and was aimed at thecking how quickly reservists reported for duty.

## Headmaster to take Beirut College post

POMFRET, Connecticut (AP) - The headmaster of the Pomfret School has resigned to take over as president of the International College in Beirut, although he won't be moving to the troubled Lebanese capital until hostilitles wane. Gerrit M. Keator, 50, said Monday he decided to accept the post at the school in west Beirut, the Muslim section of the city, because it presented a until he is permitted to go to Beirut.

planned to withdraw its naval minehunter from the Gulf in January because a ceasefire between Iran and Iraq had reduced the danger to shipping in the area. A spokesman said Belgium and Britain were also expected to withdraw their vessels at the start of

THE HAGUE (R) - The Dutch defence ministry said Tuesday it

## **CPF** launches fund drive

(Continued from page 1)

Asser, the He said the CPF was now er, told Rec launched is involved in the manufacture of special seats and equipment for handicapped children as well as crutches for children to use at home, all of which are given free military bis

cers say the. Bilbeisi said the CPF seeks to set control of Ha up an integrated centre for ex-, push ar iber. amioing children exposed to handicaps and diagnosing their other man = cases at an early stage.

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He said early diagnosis saves a lot of trouble, efforts and funds,

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President Reagan's spokesman

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contribute generously to the CPF to help it set up the projected centre which would cost JD 500,000 and said JD 150,000 are needed annually to cover the CPF's growing expenses. In August 1988, Her Majesty

Oueen Noor inaugurated a new CPF centre in Salt, set up by the foundation in cooperation with local charitable societies in the Balqa Governorate, thus raising to five the number of CPF centres in the Kingdom.

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Bilbeisi called on the public to

According to Bilbeisi, there are plans to open other centres in Tafileh and Maan to serve alongside those in Amman, Zarqa, Irbid, Agaba and Salt.

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## Palestinian message to PLO

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PNC Speaker Abdul Hamid Al Sayeh told Reuters in Amman Tuesday the PLO Executive Committee would meet in Tunis within two days to set a time and place for the PNC

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challenge. "Beirut itself we can't gel into now because of travel restrictions," Keator said of himself and his wife, Marnie, 46, a teacher. "When things lighten up, we'll be able to move there, to the president's house on campus." Keator said he will live in Stamford and work out of the school's office in New York City **Dutch to withdraw minehunter from Gulf** 

#### be more specific. Andrew Cooper, spokesman of the British mission to the United Nations, would merely confirm

that the talks had resumed but declined any further comment, explaining that both sides had agreed on keeping contents con-

Last Friday, British Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe and Iranian counterpart Ali Akhar Velayati met in New York and Howe said afterward that agreement had been reached to repair ties between the two countries "in due course."

Their meeting followed three days of preliminary talks in Geneva. The British team in the talks is headed by Sir David Miers, assistant undersecretary responsible for the Middle East.

# Greek court delays decision on extraditing Palestinian to U.S.

ATHENS (R) — A Greek court Tuesday postponed a decision on whether to approve extradition of a Palestinian wanted in the United States for an alleged bomb attack on a civilian airliner. The three-member Athens

appeals court said it would rule on the extradition request for 34-year-old Mohammad Rashid next Monday. The United States wants

Rashid to stand trial for a 1982 bomb attack on a Pan American airliner flying over Hawaii. A Japanese teenager was killed in

Rashid was arrested in Athens on May 30 and was sentenced on tions. July 14 to seven months jail for entering the country on a false Syrian passport.

If the court approves the U.S.

extradition request, Rashid can appeal again to the supreme court. If the court turns down the request, Rashid will be freed after serving his sentence in

have a strong case agaiost and by Rashid's lawyers who Rashid, depicting it as a test of want a shorter sentence.

Greek willingness to join in fighting international guerrilla ac-

The Reagan administration has singled out Greece in the past as being soft on guerrillas and in 1985 issued an advisory to U.S. citizens to avoid the east Mediterranean country.

The court also postponed until Monday a separate hearing of appeals by the Athens prosecutor for a longer sentence for Rashid U.S. officials have said they for the false passport conviction

Under the proposed Sharia

code, Islamic punishments would

not be carried out in the south but

would be imposed on everyone in

Jafaar Numeiri.

## Sudan's Sharia delayed for further study

KHARTOUM (R) - Sudan's coalitioo government Tuesday sent proposed Islamic Sbaria laws for further study in an apparent bid to avoid a split over the controversial issue.

State-run Radio Omdurman said parliament debated the new penal code based on Sharia but did not vote on it as scheduled. point plan under which the code, which provides for such penalties as amputation, bebeading and

stoning, would not apply to non-

Muslims. The radio said the proposed Sharia code would go to the parliamentary legal committee for further study, along with other proposals for Islamic-based legal systems.

Diplomats said the govern- fed opposition to ousted dictator meot's decision to avoid a vote on the Sharia code was due to Prime Minister Sadio Al Mahdi's desire to avoid a permanent rift with politicians from the south.

The mainly Christian or anim-

ist south is fiercely opposed to the mainly Arabised north, Mus-

Sharia, one of the issues which lim or not. 11 killed in Kabul attack

MOSCOW (R) - Eleven people were killed and 26 wounded in a rocket attack by Muslim guerrillas on central Kabul Wednesday, the official Soviet news agency TASS reported. Some 23, rockets, fired from areas north-west of the capital,

exploded in streets and squares as people were on their way to work during the morning rush bour, it said, quoting preliminary Kabul radio reported Monday that rebel rockets killed 14

people and wounded 30 in two Afghan towns Sunday.

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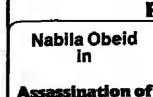
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# Post-war reconstruction poses dilemma to Tehran

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Foreign leaders and industrialists have been packing Tehran in recent weeks chasing lucrative contracts to build factories, power stations and oil refineries in Iran's post-war reconstruction.

is needed to rebuild the economy.

with the wealthy merchant class

that has survived the rigors of the

revolution, said: "We should

avoid going to extremes... we

"There's nothing wrong with it and we're doing it right now. There are many ways to take

advantage of the aliens' know-

ledge. No nation can afford to do

without it," Khamenei told wor-

shippers at a prayer session ear-

But be stressed that "economic

Khamenei said Sept. 12 wben

he opened an international trade

fair in Tehran, attended by hun-

dreds of companies from 36 coun-

tries: "We've had hitter experi-

ence with foreign investment in

our country. But this will not be

an obstacle to countries wanting

to have healthy trade and econo-

He and Rafsanjani are opposed by Prime Minister Hussein Musa-

vi, Interior Minister Ali Akhar

Mohtashemi and other radicals

who want tighter state control of

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construction plan.

have to employ foreign knowhow

Khamenei, who has close links

But Iranian leaders are divided over how much they should allow foreign companies, many of them booted out after the 1979 Islamic revolution, hack into the country

Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini declared. Oct. 3 that reconstruction will be carried out without 'criminal Soviets and world-devouring America and their

But other leaders, including the powerful parliament speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani, have given strong signals that foreign belp, particularly technology, is needed to rehuild.

By all accounts, rehuilding will probably cost Iran as much as the eight-year-old war with Iraq. Some initial estimates are as high as \$400 hillion in the next decade.

When Iran, hattered by a chain of military defeats, unconditionally accepted a United Natinons-sponsored ceasefire July 18, the initial reaction in Western and Asian markets was one of euphoria.

But many Western businessmen believe the expectations of a reconstruction honanza were premature, although the long-term prospects are good.

Rafsanjani, President Ali the economy and continued au-Khamenei and others believe sterity, contending that "the peo-foreign investment and expertise ple have grown use to hardship"

The foreigners must be kept at bay," Musavi declared Aug. 21. "We are not going to let foreign investors come to this country and put it under their domination.

"Opening up the country's doors to foreign capital... will suppress the revolution and its principles... we cannot invite the ones who were Iraq's patrons... to participate in the reconstruction of post-war Iran," he said.

Rafsanjani said in an interview with the radical Jomhuri Islami daily this month: "There is also a middle course in which we should neither open the doors all the way and keep the country dependent with a consumer economy nor keep the people in hardship, in need of even basic goods. This is what we're talking about."

Rafsanjani, considered the most powerful figure in 1ran after Khomeini, is seeking to end Iran's self-imposed isolation and restore relations with Western countries.

Iran's industry and oil installations, cornerstone of its economy, are in ruins and there are rich pickings for foreign companies prepared to do husiness with Iran.

But all the signals are that the hig contracts will likely go to those countries that maintained links with Iran throughout the war, such as Japan, West Germany and South Korea.

Although Iran is a major oil producer, the problem is where the money will come from.

If it tries to increase its oil output, its main source of revenue, it risks driving down oil prices already weakened by a world glut and overproduction by other member states of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

That would leave borrowing abroad the only alternative to generate the financing needed for

War reparations, possibly underwritten by Arah hanks eager to pacify Iran, would help alleviate the financing problem once they are agreed.

But that could take years. Iran bas in the past demanded up to \$350 billion from Iraq for war damages. The scale of Iran's reconstruc-

installations, power stations and refineries were pounded constantly hy Iraq's powerful air force. The Western cities of Abadan,

tion is still being assessed. Its oil

Khorramshahr and Qasr E-Shirin, and others, were captured in the early days of the war and were hadly devastated.

earlier agreement, which ends March 1989 was extended to The official Islamic Republic March 1990, and that four experts News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, listed nearly 266,000 facand a Canadian seismic team have hegun work in the Ma'an tories, stores, mosques, schools, area. Ireisat expressed hope that hospitals and bomes destroyed or these grants would be an incenhadly damaged, mainly in westtive to increase Jordanian-Canaern border towns. dian cooperation in the field of

Khorramshahr and Abadan are virtual ghost towns. Ahadan's giant oil refinery, once the world's higgest with a capacity of 630,000 barrels a day, was totally

# Haj Hassan expresses interest in promoting services at Aqaba

and Telecommunications Minister Khaled Al Haj Hassan Tuesday voiced the government's interest in developing the Ports Corporation's services to enable it to pursue its duties in serving Jordan and neighbouring Arah countries.

Haj Hassan's statement was made during a visit to the Ports Corporation where he was briefed by Director-General Eid

Jordan, Canada

AMMAN (J.T.) - Jordan and Canada will sign next week a \$13

million agreement to finance the

exploration of natural and miner-

al resources in Jordan, Sawt Al

Shaah reported Wednesday.

Natural Resources Authority

Director-General Kamal Jreisat

said the new Canadian grant will

finance several seismic studies

and surveys as well as oil explora-

tion operations. He said that an

exploration and encourage Cana-

dian companies to get involved in

oil exploration in Jordan. The

Canadian government had offered Jordan \$19 million grant.

to sign accord

at the loading and off-loading terminals and means of raising staff performance levels, to cope with the ever increasing develop-

Fayez also briefed Haj Hassan on the loading and unloading operations at the phosphates' terminal and on the recent measures taken by the corporation to avoid any delay in off-loading trucks. Haj Hassan visited the cor-

AMMAN (Petra) - Transport Al Fayez on the progress of work porations' installations and storage areas and expressed satisfaction at progress of work in the port. The minister then visited the Iraqi coordination office in Agaba and reviewed with the office director the existing cooperation and coordination between the Ports Corporation and the

office to facilitate the smooth transporting of goods from Aqaba to Iraq.

Arab Maritime Bridge Company. the Iraqi-Jordanian Land Transport Company and the Telecommunication Corporation offices in

Haj Hassan concluded his tour by a visit to Aqaba airport where he inspected progress of work at the current expansion of the airport huildings and called for speeding up the work there to enable the airport to cope with

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## Haj Hassan also visited the increasing tourist trips to Aqaba. Department of Statistics

ment of Statistics bas issued a two-volume annual report on external trade statistics covering

The first volume contains data on national exports and reexports hy type of commodity and country of destination. It also contains imports by type of commodity and country of origin.

In addition, this volume contains national exports and imports according to customs tariff egulations.

The second volume of the 500 page report contains information on national exports by country of destination and type of commodity, imports by country of origin and type of commodity and im-

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Depart- ports and national exports by customs tariff regulations. An introduction to the report

issues '87 annual report

says that the source of the data for the two volumes was the customs manifest forms, ohtained from the Department of Cus-

The Department of Statistics also issued its annual agricultural

statistics report for 1987. It contains the results of the agricultural boldings census in the Jordan Valley and the results of the agricultural survey in the high lands. The report also carried a variety of statistical data obtained from various sources on agricultural activities to serve researchers and decision-makers.

### AMMAN EXCHANGE RATES

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**AMMAN FINANCIAL MARKET** 

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# Kuwaitis call for dropping Britain as investment market

KUWAIT (AP) — The govern-ment Wednesday was considering the implications of Britain's decision to drastically reduce Knwait's stake in the British Petroleum (B.P.) Co. as economists said Kuwait should now reconsider its investment strategy.

The Kuwaiti government was publicly silent after the British government ordered the Kuwait Investment Office (KIO) Tuesday to reduce its holdings in B.P. from 21.68 to 9.9 per cent over

But the thrust of opinion in economic circles was that Britain be dropped as investment market. At least one call was made for a retaliatory political move against Britain.

Oil-rich Kuwait has an estimated \$85 billion invested abroad, mainly in the United States, Britain, France, West Germany and other European

Recent investments have been made in Asia, including China, through the K1O, the Kuwaiti government's London-hased investment arm.

The state-run radio and television network ignored the British decision in their news hulletins, part of a country that promotes a market."

although pro-government newspapers published the report on their inside economic pages.

The state-owned Kuwait Petroleum Corp., which owns the stake in B.P., declined comment. So did the office of Kuwait's Oil Minister Ali Khalifa Al Sabah.

The KIO announced last Nov. 18 that it had purchased 10 per cent of B.P. shares. The stake was gradually increased to 21.68 per cent as KIO accumulated massive under-subscription of the British government's B.P. share offer last October.

B.P. "may be expected to operrecommended it be cut.

British Trade Secretary Lord Young accepted the findings and asked for undertakings from the KIO to reduce its B.P. stake. Leading economists and invest-

ment decision-makers in the northern Gulf state were highly critical of the British move, labelling it "unjustifiable" and "a mistake.

"It's the worst reaction on the

free market economy and deals a hlow to this ideology, especially as the decision is taken when a Conservative government which supports the policy of privatisation and capitalisation, is in office," Jassim Al Saadoun, chairman of the Shell Economic Consultancy Bnreau told the Associated Press.

"The decision also undermines economic relations in the world,' he added. "It's an unjust decision 1.316 billion B.P. shares after the and impairs economic freedom." Al Saadoun predicted that

Kuwait will respond by reducing its investments in Britain "or The British Mergers and asking the British government" Monopolies Commission said to rescind its decision by expres-Tuesday that Kuwait's holding in sing readiness to buy part of Kuwait's holdings or extending ate against the public interest" and the 12-month deadline.

"Otherwise, Kuwait will incur a hig loss from the financial point of view and there will be attempts to cushion the loss," he said. "Those who made the mistake

should pay the price, including the KIO," he added. Ziad Taqi, head of the economic department at the National Bank of Kuwait said: "It's a bad and annoying decision which has an adverse impact on the local

He argued that if Britain wanted to remain a free market economy which attracts both private and government institutions "it should not have dealt such a blow to Kuwait.' Taqi said the British govern-

ment should have stepped in earlier to express its opposition to the KIO move since Kuwait had purchased the B.P. stake piecemeal.

Tagi said that KIO's purchase helped prevent a drastic decline in the price of B.P. shares last October and November.

"I think the British decision will prompt the (Kuwaiti) government to reconsider its investment in Britain," he said.

Another prominent Kuwaiti economist, who heads the economic research department at a leading investment company, cal-'led the British decision "an unjustified political One that should he met by a political decision

from the Kuwaiti government." The economist, who asked that his name not be used, predicted that Kuwait would "reconsider its investment strategy by spreading investments on a wider geographical area and shifting to new areas, such as Portugal and the

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## **ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS**

#### Brick firm to submit report

AMMAN ((Petra)) — The fate of the Jordan Lime and Silicate Brick Industries Company was discussed at a meeting here Wednesday attended by a technical team formed by the Ministry of Industry and Trade and the company's board of directors. According to the Jordan News Agency, Petra the two sides agreed to prepare a full report in a two-week time outlining the company's financial situation before further action and resolutions can be taken on the company's future. The two sides agreed that contacts should be maintained with the company's creditors to explore the possibility of restructuring the company's capital and to achieve a break-even point in sales, the agency said. It said that the company has now been awarded a tender by the Ministry of Education to supply silicate and brick for the construction of 120 schools over the coming three years.

## Luxury goods reappear in Iraq

BAGHDAD (R) — Consumer goods from television sets to fashionable clothes are back in Iraqi shops after years of austerity when stores often had bare shelves. Since the beginning of the year Iraqi businessmen have been able to import Western and Japanese goods using money held abroad or credited by foreign companies.

The official Iraqi News Agency (INA) said Wednesday that the trade ministry issued 56,250 import licenses during the first nine months of the year worth some 706 million dinars (\$2.3 billion). Among imports were cars, spare parts, foodstuffs, videos, televi-sions, refrigerators, iron, timber and clothes.

## Canada, EC sign nuclear accord

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — The European Community (EC) said Tuesday it had signed a thermonuclear fusion cooperation agreement with Canada. Canada will provide researchers to the EC's fusion programme devoted to the international thermonuclear experimental reactor (ITER). ITER is a cooperative venture between the 12-nation EC, Japan, the Soviet Union and the United States to produce a test reactor for nuclear fusion power. Joint work on the project is taking place at Garching, West Germany, in a technical site provided by the Community. But the main research and development work is being done in lahoratories of the participating countries.

## **UAE** may impose bank licence fees

DUBAI (R) — The United Arab Emirates (UAE) central bank said it will prohably introduce licence and registration fees for banks, financial institutions, and foreign exchange bouses sometime next year. Bank governor Abdul Malik Al Hamar was quoted by the local Gulf news paper Wednesday as saying the idea was to charge fees against the services of the central bank, just like in many other countries. The fees, amounting to several thousands of dollars depending on the institution, are relatively small but the bank's attempt to impose them last June was met by storng objections from the UAE's many institutions, bankers said.

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## **WORLD STOCK MARKETS**

SYDNEY — Australian stocks closed weaker in lacklustre trading. The All-Ordinaries Index fell 11.8 points to 1,511.8 TOKYO - Share prices finished the session down for a fourth day as concern over the health of the emperor continued to hang over the market. The Nikkei Index fell 95.53 points to 27,405.49. HONG KONG — Prices closed virtually unchanged with most investors staying on the sideline following weak performances in both Tokyo and New York. The Hang Seng Index rose 1.66 to

SINGAPORE - Prices fell for a third day on lack of interest and loss-cutting sales. The Straits Times Industrial Index fell 12.10 to an 18-week low of 993.18.

BOMBAY - Prices resumed their bullish trend on hectic short-covering after Tuesday's mild setback, brokers said.

FRANKFURT --- Shares huilt Tuesday's small gains in moderate trading, helped by modest foreign interest. The 30-share Dax Index rose 6.73 to 1,252.62.

ZURICH — Prices closed steady in quiet trading in what dealers viewed as a slight recovery within a continuing bearish trend. The All-Share Swiss Index rose 2.2 to 910.0.

LONDON -- Shares were firm but off their highs. Dealers said speculative activity along with shortages of stock had helped squeeze the market higher but profit-taking and a setback on Wall. Street brought prices back from the top. By 1503 GMT, the FTSE-100 index was up 15.3 at 1,822.6.

NEW YORK - Stocks were narrowly lower and quiet overall apart from a flurry of activity in special situation issues. The Dow

# Algeria highlights importance of reform due to oil price drop Unlike some other countries it

ening, has expressed anger at what it calls the illogical complacency of some other oil pro- \$11.40 a barrel and some analysts ducers for failing to reverse the latest oil price slide.

"It is only by more stringent austerity measures... and greater rigour in spending and increased management efficiency that the country will attain its aims," the official APS news agency said Tuesday in a report on the eco-

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ALGIERS (R) — Algeria, warn- way over quota, oil prices have is clear the chances for a specing its citizens of more belt-tight- slumped in recent weeks. tacular turnaround in our foreign Wednesday, the key British exchange position remain uncer-Brent blend traded in Tokyo at tain." the report added. It said substantial economies

have predicted prices could fall had prevented the price slump from placing in jeopardy the Within the Organisation of Petcountry's development plans, but roleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). Algeria has advocated acknowledged a much-needed boost in foreign exchange earntight production controls to keep "With the petrol price stuck in

dependence on bydrocarbon exports since its oil-based economy was battered by the mid-1980s

as \$23 hillion — hut instead slashed imports. Forecasting a population of almost 36 million in 2010 from the current 23 million, the report said that recovery would be all the more difficult "because of the

constraints and demands of unings was unlikely to materialise. tenable population growth." Algeria bas tried to lessen its

The report said income from oil and oil-based exports was forecast this year at around 39 billion dinars (\$6 hillion). slump in energy prices.

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# **Ajax reaches** crisis point

LONDON (AP) - Ajax Amconcluded in sterdam, one time powerhouse of European soccer, is reaching criprogress of the consistency of the sis poiot as it prepares for Wednesday's round of eluh action gs and cally the work the across the continent.

A three-time champions' cup winner and the main force behind the Dutch soccer explosion in the early 1970s, Ajax goes into a UEFA Cup first round second leg game against sporting Lisbon of Portugal 4-2 down and facing open revolt by its fans.

Because of poor results in the Dutch league, only 7,500 tickets have been sold for a match that normally would command a Its of the art crowd of over 20,000 to its sta-

The fans have been so hostile 10 the results that the entire five-man management team has resigned, leaving elub morale at an all time low.

"These are not pretty times," coach Spitz Kohn told the Amsterdam newspaper, De Telegraaf. "It makes you think. We'll need all the support we can get to advance to another round.

While Aiax lurches from one crisis to the next, most of the other hig names in Europe are on safer ground.

PSV Eindhoven, its Dutch rival which won the champion cup last season, is guarantoed a place in the second round, having been given a byc.

Italy's AC Milan, which won the title in 1963 and '69, also is handily placed to reach the second round despite the absence of injured Datch star Ruud Gullit and the likelihood that his counrryman, Marco Van Basten, also could be missing against Vitosha nf Bulgaria.

Milan won the first leg in Sofia 2.0 and should have too much all-round strength to allow that lead to slip away.

#### Real Madrid

Real Madrid, trailing in the Spanish league hut chasing its seventh ebampions' cup title, should be at full strength when it travel to Norway to meet Moss FC. Real has the cushion of a 3-0 first leg lead.

Steaua Bucharest, champions cup winner two years ago and semifinalist last season, already has fired a warning to the other big guns in the competition.

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whipped Czechoslovak ebampion Sparta 5-1 in Prague and would need to lose by five elear goals at home to go out of the competi-

The Romanian army team wbipped Czechoslovak champion Sparta 5-1 in rague and would need to lose by five clear goals at home to go out of the competi-

Yugoslavia's red star Belgrade bas an even easier task, having won 5-0 in Ireland against Dun-

For Scottish titlist Glasgow Celtie, which won the champions' eup in 1967, the route to the second round it is much more hazardous.

Celtic needs to wipe out a 1-0 loss in Budapest if it is to get past experienced European campaigner Honved and its current form of five defeats in eight lengues games suggests the Scottish side could be on the way out.

Another champions' cup con-tender, Switzerland's Neuchatel Xamax, also is struggling in domestic competition, Unol last Thursday, when it downed Sion 3-1. Xzamax was last in the 12team standings.

The Swiss champion also is trailing from the first leg against Greek titlist FC Larissa, but its away goal in the 2-1 defeat could prove vital,

Cup winners' eup bolder KV Mechelen of Belgium already is safely through to the second round having played its second leg game a week early. Mechelen

York Mets scored three runs in

the ninth inning to break Los

Angeles Dodgers pitcher Orel

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Gary Carter's two-out, two-

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Paolo Rossi during 1982 world cup championships

downed Avenir Beggen of Lux-embourg 3-1 away from home to triumph 8-1 on aggregate.
Another Belgian side, Ander-

leeht is favoured to join its countrymen in the second round having gained a 3-1 victory over FC Metz in France, while Aarhus of Denmark, which triumphed 4-1 over Glenavon in Northern Ireland, also should breeze through to the next stage.

Spanish powerhouse Barcelona should advance, having won 2-0 against Fram Reykjavík in Ice-

Most games in the UEFA Cup are finely balanced with Italy's quarter of Juventes, inter Milan. Napoli and Roma all involved in knife-edge confrontations.

inter has to defend a 2-1 lead against FC Brage in Sweden, while Juventus trails 1-0 from the first leg against Otelul Galati in

Mets advance in playoffs

McReynolds,

and removed Hershiser, who

wanted to stay in. Dodgers reliev-

er Jay Howell then walked Kevin

Howell struck out Howard

Johnson and immediately got two

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short centrefield. John Shelby

dove for it, got his goals, Steve Sax led off with a single

and stole second. One out later,

Kirk Gihson hounced out to

second base, sending Sax to third.

# Poverty, society 3rd World sports hurdles

# Olympics, not necessarily competition of equals

SEOUL (R) — For the Third World, the Seoul Olympics provided a grim reminder that poverty and social customs remain tough hurdles in the race to make champions.

The countries of Asia, South America and Africa account for about 80 per cent of the world's five billion people but took home only 29 golds — a meagre 12 per cent of the total.

"It is not a gap, but a chasm which separates the Third World from the rest. There was a wide disparity in standards," said International Olympic Committee member Ashwini Kumar.

There were exceptions. China's Gao Min gracefully sliced through the air to win the women's springhourd, Kenya's John Ngugi loped majestically away from a powerful field for the men's 5,000 metres gold and Surinam's Anthony Nesty streaked past American swimmer Matt Biondi to win the 100 metres butterfly.

But they were just cameos at the 16-day games where the Soviet Union, East Germany and the United States grabbed 53 per cent of the 237 gold medals at

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Olympic golds have been in men's hockey — its only other medal was a wrestling bronze woo in Helsinki in 1952.

China fared better with four could see no change until Third golds hut fell far short of their World countries found ways to Los Angeles games haul of 15, a spot and develop young talent. failure hitterly eriticised in "But at present in the Third Chinese newspapers. World, the priority before the "A dark eloud crosses our

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example. Korea, who won 12 golds to finish The world's second most popufourth in the overall medals table. lous country after China, India Women did not win a single medal in Seoul. All eight of the country's

Social and religious customs

play a part in holding back sports development in parts of the Third World.

The womeo of Africa and Asia are often restricted from partici-

"I don't have a coach. They don't send us abroad to train like the men," said Kenya's top woman athlete, Rose Tata-Muya.

But India's six-strong track and field team were all women. The

men were not good enough to qualify at the Olympie trials. India's P.T. Usha, Asian 400 metre and 400 metre hurdles champion for the past four years. said she was lucky to have parents who let her take up sport.

'When we get married, further participation in sport depends on

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16- Salman Faisal Awad Faiez

**FOURTH RACE 4.10** 

FOR THIRD CLASS HORSES

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### **Facilities**

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Developing countries lack training facilities and access to the latest sports medicine and

Surinam has only one Olympiesized pool. Its swimming hero Nesty went to the United States to train.

Swimmer Silivia Poll of Costa Rica, who won a silver in the 200 metres freestyle, needed her mother's help to finance the trip to Seoul.

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## Lasorda marched to the mound **Cross country race** to commence Oct. 6

cross country race championship will kick off on Thursday, when runners from Mafraq, Istiklal, Hayyan, Amman, Al Arahi, Kafrein and Hashimi elubs set out from the royal horse race club women's championship race.

THE BETTER HALF

AMMAN (Petra) - The third grounds. Competition might be restricted to athletes from Istiklai, Mafraq. Al Arabi, Al Hussein and Amman sporting clubs. Ladies from the Istiklal and Amman clubs will participate in the

HARRIS

heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson found no evidence of manic-depression, according to a report in Wednesday's New York Daily news.

Tyson gets clean

Tyson's manager said a December 17 fight with Britain's Frank Bruno in London was to go ahead as scheduled, the news reported.

Dr. Abraham Halpern, the psychiatrist, examined Tyson for more than 30 minutes, pronounced him fit and said the psychiatrist wbo earlier had diagnosed Tyson as manic-depressive had reversed that diagnosis.

NEW YORK (R) - A psychiat- The news quoted Halpern as world saying: "There will be no medication. He showed no signs of manic-depression." In recent weeks, Tyson, who

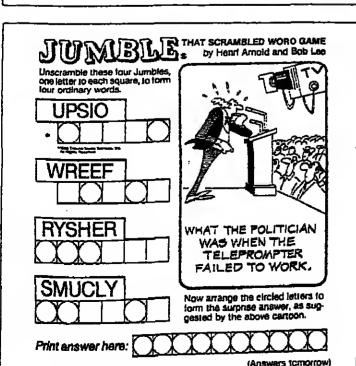
has become a celebrity outside the ring, has smashed his car into a tree, smashed his hand in the face of another boxer in a fight outside a clothing store in Harlem, and allegedly chased his wife and mother-in-law around a hotel in Moscow.

Tyson's wife, actress Rohin Givens, flew to California Monday a day after calling police to their suburban New Jersey mansion to calm down the 22-year-old

## **HOROSCOPE NOT RECEIVED**

By Harris

"Yes, doctor, he has a VERY high temperature! He melted!"



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## **GOREN BRIDGE** BY CHARLES GOREN ANO OMAR SHARIF

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Last year, we recommended highly a novel book by Eddie Kantar, in which the similar problems were postage and handling from the author, P.O Box 427, Venice, Calif. 90291-0427.) Again, it cantains 50 defensive problems and their related play themes. As is typical of Kantar, the problems are testing and educa-

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vulnerable. South son pointers to help you grasp the principles involved. Here's one of the play problems. Cover the East and West hands and decide how you would play four spades after West leads a diamond 10 East's ace, tekes the return with the king of diamonds and then shifts 10 the seven of hearts. Obviously, you win and run the jack of spades. That wins, so you repeat the finesse. This time West wins the king and leads another

> my. No master how you wriggle, you must go down. The winning play when you lead the jack of spades from the table is to overtake with the queen. If it holds, you are in your hand for the club finesse; if the trump finesse inses, you can win any return, draw irumps and then take the club fi-

hears, and you are locked in dum-

nesse for your contract. Key prints: 1. When a defender posed from the defenders' and de-doesn's make the obvious shifs elarer's point of view. Now we have through an ace-queen, assume he have found one just as good; in- has the king. 2. When dummy has deed, it is a sequel. (A New Ap-proach to Play and Defense, by expert defendet sitting behind you Edwin B. Kantar. HDL Publishing. 10 win the second round rather than 200 pp, paperback. \$9.95 plus \$1 the first. 3. To create a sure entry to your hand in 1rumps, it might be necessary to nvertake an hunnr from dummy, if you have the spots to do so.

We said it last year: At a mere 10 cents a hand, this is one of the bigtinnal, and each comes with key les- gest bargains around.

## **Peanuts**







## Mutt'n' Jeff



## **Andy Capp**



# **New Soviet ideology** chief pursues reform

MOSCOW (R) — New Soviet ideology chief Vadim Medvedey, in a clear signal that last weekend's Kremlin shuffle was a victory for reform, has issued a detailed programme of radical economic and political change.

And in a speech reported Wednesday by Pravda, Medvedev implicitly but bluntly rejected arguments by his predecessor, Yegor Ligachev, that aspects of President Mikhail Gorbachev's perestroiks drive undermined socialist principles.

Calling for a "new conception of socialism," Medvedev: - Said the law of supply and demand "is an essential condition for effective management of the

economy": "Insisted that different types of socialism in communist countries "enriches us all":

Argued that the economic and social practices of Western countries could provide useful lessons for Soviet reformers:

- Declared that long-taboo forms of leasing and cooperatives already introduced in Soviet agriculture and services should be extended to heavy industry:

- Asserted that a new "pluralistic socialist system must take into account... the real structure of society" outside old classbased frameworks:

- Reaffirmed that "common



human values" should take precedence over class interests in dealing with the outside world: - Proclaimed that peaceful

coexistence was " a long-term process" extending far into the foreseeable future: and - Rejected suggestions that

Gorbachev's glasnost policies had "let the genie out of the bottle," saying that open discussion of forming the economy.

public issues "is a sword that heals the wounds it makes." Medvedev's speech, delivered

to a conference of social scientists from communist countries, was his first public address since he was appointed to head a newlyformed Kremlin ideological commission last Friday.

Its phrasing clearly marked the 59-year-old party academic, who was also given rapid promotion into the 12-man ruling politburo, as a close ally of Gorbachev.

And the speech left no doubt that the influence of 67-year-old Ligachev, still formally Kremlin number two, was now dramatically reduced in ideological policy formulation.

In the weekend shakeup, Ligachev was appointed head of a new commission on agriculture amid widespread suggestions from Soviet sources that his pub-licly-expressed donbts on reform during the summer had helped spark the changes.
In a speech while Gorbachev

was on leave in August, Ligachev suggested the now free-wheeling Soviet press was getting out of hand. He said the new "nonclass" foreign policy was "sowing doubt among our people... and our friends.

He also criticised what he said was excessive emphasis being placed on market factors in re-



## Nerves taut as Chileans vote in plebiscite

SANTIAGO (AP) — Amid a pervasive security presence and tensions aggravated by a nighttime blackout, Chileans voted Wednesday on whether General Augusto Pinochet should remain president until 1997.

Many polling places opened promptly at 8 a.m. (1100 GMT). In Santiago, the capital city, lines of voters quickly formed under a cloudless sky in warm spring weather. Police re-

**UNITA** 

rejects

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LISBAN (R) - Fro-Western National Union for the Total Inde-

pendence of Angola (UNITA)

rebels spurned an Angolan

government amnesty offer Tuesday and repeated de-

mands for direct negotiations

to end a 13-year-old civil war.

jects and repudiates the policy

of clemency and pardon be-

cause the only solution to the

Angolan question lies in direct

negotiations between UNITA and the MPLA," a rebel state-

"UNITA categorically re-

ported no incidents.

Radio reports indicated polls also were opening without serious problems in provincial cities and

Downtown Santiago was virtually deserted, with shops and offices closed for the day. A national holiday was declared for the vote.

Wednesday's turnout was expected to be heavy, as 7.4 million of the eight million eligible voters

were registered. Polls were to remain open until 5 p.m. (2000 GMT), with initial returns not expected until at least

Chileans were asked to mark their paper ballots "Yes" or "No" on the proposal hy Pinochet and other military commanders that his 15-year-old rule be extended

If most vote "Yes," he would

assume a new eight-year term in March. If most vote "No," an open election with two or more candidates would be held late next year, and the winner would assume the presidency in March 1990. Pinochet could be a candidate in the open elections if he loses Wednesday.

Most polls have showed Pinochet, 72, lacking majority

#### Sao Paulo mayor bans skimpy bikinis

SAO PAULO (AP) — The mayor of Brazil's biggest city has outlawed the wearing of skimpy swimsuits in Sao Paulo in the name of "morality." Mayor Janio Quadros banned the use of socalled "dental floss" bikinis and men's brief swimwear in parks in this city, Brazil's industrial and financial centre. Quadros, a former president of Brazil, was quoted in major newspapers as saying the ban was not "prudish-ness" but intended "to defend a minimum of morality and decen-cy." The "dental floss" string bikini is an even briefer version of the already "tiny tanga."

#### **Ex-Miss America** faces bribery charge

NEW YORK (R) — Bess Myerson, a former Miss America and once a powerful city official, was described in court Tuesday as a greedy and vindictive person willing to use her power to corrupt a judge hearing her boyfriend's divorce case. The trial of Myerson, boyfriend Carl Capasso and former State Judge Hortense Gabel began before a packed court with prosecutor calling the three people of position and wealth who violated the public trust."
Myerson is accused of conspiring to bribe Gabel by offering her daughter Sukhreet a New York City job so that Gabel would cut the alimony being paid Capasso's ex-wife. Myerson, the 1945 Miss America and the first Jew to hold that title, was at the time New York's cultural affairs commis-

#### Coins honour Louganis

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Olympic diver Greg Louganis, who won two gold Olympic medals in Seoul, has been honoured with four silvers from the Republic of the Marshall Islands. The dives that made Louganis famous the jackknife, twister and back dive - were captured on four silver coins issued by the Marshall Islands, located between the Philippines and Hawaii. Three 28.3gramme \$25 coins are sold in a set for \$300. A 141.8-gramme \$75 coin is offered for \$300.

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# Kinnock supporter attacks revamping of party policy

BLACKPOOL, England (R) -Britain's most powerful trade union chief has warned the opposition Labour Party to stick to a socialist path, just hours after leader Neil Kinnock proposed a shift from old-style left-wing poli-

Kinnock got a standing ovation. at Labour's annual conference Tuesday when he outlined his blueprint for taking the ailing

party into the 1990s. His keynote speech pledged social justice and scorned the "me and now" society created by the ruling Conservative Party under Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

The plan, part of a policy re-

election defeat by the Conservatives, includes moves away from orthodox socialism towards a competitiveness through economic efficiency.

Kinnock was expanding on a seven-point document "democra-tic socialist aims and values," adopted overwhelmingly hy the conference Monday with the help of large block votes from the powerful trade unions, which are Labour's main financial backers.

Within hours, Ron Todd, leader of the giant Transport and General Workers Union and until Labour's record third straight warned that the union's support the cash," he said.

must not be taken for granted. "We will not allow our commitment to public and social ownmixed economy, greater worker and consumer rights and more ership to be lost in talk of markets and competition," he told a meeting outside the conference in the northwestern resort of Black-Todd, whose vote helped Kin-

nock resoundingly defeat a leadership challenge from Labour's left wing Sunday, said there were modernisers and reformers in the party who were "all sharp suits and cordless telephones," hut who lacked political substance.

"They need our money and our strength hut they fear our pownow a key Kinnock backer, er... my union has led the way in attacked the revamping as a re- modernising the organisation and view hegun last year after jection of socialist values and running of this party. We put up

ment distributed in Lisbon UNITA has fought Angola's ruling Marxist MPLA party since independence from Portugal in 1975, but it has been excluded from interpational peace talks currently trying to settle the interlinked Angolan

and Namibian conflicts. Angola has offered an amnesty to rebells who turn themselves in, but has refused to recognise UNITA and said that rebel leader Jonas Savimbi must pay for his "crimes against the Angolan people."

The UNITA statement said the United States, South Africa and other African countries interested in peace efforts should "not let the Angolan government's subterfuge ruin the current favourable climate for talks."

# Moscow drops key hurdle to conventional arms talks

an hour later.

forces in Europe, but diplomats say the 35-nation Helsinki conference remains mired in dis-

Reversing earlier positions, Moscow has agreed that tactical nuclear weapons should not be included in new talks between North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) and Warsaw Pact nations on reducing conventional troops and weapons from the Atlantic to the Urals, diplomats

sinki conference Yuri B. Khashlev said in an interview Tuesday the Kremlin has also agreed not

"We will make the difference

The Americans caution that the Soviet Union has not actually tabled its position in the protracted Vienna negotiations for the new 23-nation talks.

full mandate is agreed between NATO and the Warsaw Pact, and until the 35 nations that signed the 1975 Helsinki Final Act can wind up the Vienna conference reviewing compliance with the act.

## Vietnamese Siamese twins separated

TOKYO (AP) - Two seven - said. year-old Siamese twins connected at the pelvis were separated successfully in Vietnam Tuesday in a gruelling 14-hour operation conducted by 72 doctors and nurses. news reports said.

"The operation went well." Japan's Kyodo news service quoted a Vietnamese doctor as saying in a report from Ho Chi Minh city. "But it will take about a week to tell the outcome."

The operation was thought to be the first attempt to separate the twins.

After the 12-hour surgery to separate the twins. Viet and Duc, doctors took another two hours to finish suturing them. Kyodo

Viet and Duc were joined at the pelvis and had a single pair of legs. With their two torsos, they shared a large bowel, anus, hladder, genitals, one pair of kidneys and a major artery, leaving doctors with the difficult ethical question of how to divide their

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Japanese newspapers reported Wednesday that each twin re-ceived one leg, while the single organs went to Duc, the more healthy twin. Viet has heen comatose since May 1986.

shared parts and give both of

them a chance of survival.

The nationally circulated newspaper Asahi Shimbun said the

pulse and blood pressure of both boys were satisfactory after the operation, but that Viet would be permanently attached to an artificial heart device.

The operation began Tuesday morning at Tu Du hospital, using equipment and medicine supplied by the Japanese Red Cross, Kyodo said. The twins' mother watched the procedure on a television monitor in an adjoining room, news reports said.

"Our higgest concern is what msy happen now to the (biological) balance that was developed between the two of them," Asahi quoted a Japanese Red Cross observer at the hospital as saying.

#### VIENNA (AP) - The Soviet to make a distinction between without agreement in Vienna for Union has dropped a key objecattack aircraft and air defence almost 15 years. tion blocking agreement on new forces in the written mandate for talks to reduce conventional

agreement over human rights.

Soviet Ambassador to the Hel-

in the talks, but we decided to meet NATO halfway," Kashlev said, adding that the breakthrough came in talks Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze held last week with NATO foreign ministers at the United Nations.

The negotiations are designed to replace the mutual and halanced force reduction (MBFR) talks, which have dragged on

But they cannot start until a

Kashlev said the only problems outstanding on the new East-West arms talks are agreement on how much of Turkey and of Soviet territory in the Caucasus region should be included for discussion, and liaison with the 12 neutral and non-aligned nations who signed the Helsinki act but are not included in the negotia-

**WEEKEND CROSSWORD** 

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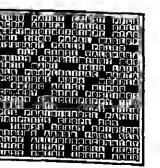
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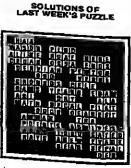
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## Yugoslavs protest economic woes

· BELGRADE (R) — Thousands of striking workers have protested in front of parliament in Belgrade, shifting the focus of Yugoslav unrest from ethnic strife to economic problems. The workers Tuesday demanded the resignation of the federal government and trade union leaders and called for direct representation in parliament. Workers from a motor factory in Belgrade's suburb of Rakovica marched to parliament in a renewal of labour discontent over low pay. Their rally marked a switch from Yugoslavia's wave of mass rallies on divisions between Kosovo province's majority ethnic Albanians and Slav population. They dispersed after Serbian Communist Party leader Slobodan Milosevic promised to tackle their complaints.

## Soviets plan journal on leaders

MOSCOW (R) - The Soviet Union's reshuffled Politburo decided at its first meeting to publish a journal on the activities of the Kremlin leadership, the official news agency TASS said Tuesday. The decision at the Monday meeting of the ruling body was aimed at promoting glasnost, or openness, and democracy, TASS said, referring to two major tenets of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's reform drive. TASS did not specify when or how frequently the new journal - Izvestia Tseka Kpss (Information from the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union) - would appear. But TASS said, "it will officially publish the decisions of the top party organs and draft resolutions on major issues of party and public affairs, which are submitted for popular discussion.

## Mitterrand visits flood-stricken city

NIMES, France (AP) — President François Mitterrand toured the water-devastated streets of this southern city Tuesday, where the death toll from a flash flood climbed to 11. Rescue workers checking vehicles washed away in the flood found three more bodies Tuesday, officials said. About a hundred of the estimated 50,000 people whose homes were damaged by the wall of water and mud Monday chanted, "compensation, compensation" as Mitterrand arrived with senior officials. The president said the government would do everything possible "to respond to the perfectly legitimate demand of those who naturally expect reparations, but also expect that their immediate crying needs be met."

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## 'Mandela to be freed soon'

JOHANNESBURG (R) - South Africa's pro-government Citizen newspaper said Wednesday that African National Congress (ANC) leader Nelson Mandela could be freed from prison any time after mid-November. Mandela, 70, is being treated for tuberculosis in a Cape Town clinic. He has been in prison since 1962, serving a life sentence for conspiracy to overthrow the government. The citizen, which is well connected in government circles, said his release was under active consideration. Quoting unnamed senior government sources, the newspaper said, "It could take place any time from about mid-November." There has been speculation about Mandela's release since August, when he was taken from Cape Town's Pollsmoor prison to hospital.

## Pretoria enacts 'street freeze' policy

CAPE TOWN (AP) - Police sealed off parts of the city centre Tuesday, blocking the streets with armoured vehicles while detectives searched pedestrians and cars. A policeman using a loudspeaker told pedestrians the operation was routine, that officers were searching for suspicious parcels. The so-called "street freeze" operations are a new policy begun hy police in an apparent attempt to tackle the increasing number of bombings in the country. Nearly one bomh a day went off during the month of September and there have been four bombings in the past four days. The government has blamed most of the bombings on the outlawed African National Congress, saying it is trying to disrupt the Oct. 26 municipal elections.

## Soviets honour Galbraith, Greene

MOSCOW (AP) - Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's alma mater. Moscow State University, awarded honorary doctorates Tuesday to U.S. economist John Kenneth Galhraith and British writer Graham Greene, the TASS news agency said. Galbraith, a professor at Harvard University, was honoured for "his services in the development of sciences and the humanities," TASS said. Greene's doctorate is a sign of "his outstanding services in the field of literature and in the strengthening of friendly contacts with the Soviet Union," TASS said. It said the certificates were presented by Anatoly Logunov, rector of Moscow State University and a member of the Academy of Sciences.